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Coming Events

May 11.—Chasleni concert, Talbot House, 8.30 p.m.
 May 13.—Tee H. Meeting, 50 Macdonnell Rd., 9.30 p.m. Guest Speaker: Captain B. Bryant, D.S.O., D.S.C., R.N., of H.M.S. "Adamant" on "Submarine War."
 May 16 and 17.—"Shamshuiipo Cocktail," K.C.C., 9 p.m.
 May 17.—China Emporium extraordinary meeting, 3 p.m.
 May 21.—Union Waterboat Co., Ltd. Annual Meeting, Dodwell's Office, 11 a.m.
 May 24.—H.K. & Yumant Ferries, annual meeting, noon.
 May 28.—H.K. Realty & Trust Co. annual meeting, noon.
 May 29.—H.K. Tramways Ltd. annual meeting, Jardine's office, noon.
 May 31.—China Emporium annual meeting, 3 p.m.

Appointed

The following appointments etc. were gazetted yesterday:—
 The Hon. Mr. D. F. Landale to be a member of the Port Committee.
 Mr. A. Todd to be Deputy Clerk of Councils.
 Mr. V. C. Bond to be an Inspector of Labour, Factories and Workshops.
 Mr. F. D. Angus, Mr. B. I. Blekford, Mr. G. C. Dudley and Mr. R. B. Wood to be Assessors under the Inland Revenue Ordinance.
 Mr. C. E. Brookhart, Consul, will be in charge of the American Consulate-General in the absence of Mr. G. D. Hopper.
 Mr. C. Baker, Honorary Vice-Consul, will be in charge of the Swedish Consulate during the absence of Mr. G. Miskin, Honorary Consul.

Mr. Vernon Bartlett, M.P., will address the Rotary Club of Hong Kong on "Britain, Russia and United States" on Tuesday. The meeting will be held at 12.30 p.m. in the Gloucester Hotel.

HUNT FOR SHIPS STOLEN BY JAPS DURING THE WAR

New Highs On Local Share Mart

New highs were reached on the Hong Kong Share Market yesterday when Hong Kong Bank quotations rose to 2025. Other concerns have experienced similar rises.

Brokers point out that while Bank share prices are influenced by the rising London market, the demand for shares in Hong Kong companies can be attributed as well to increased surpluses which have not yet been earmarked.

The following indicates the trend the market has taken since March 27:

	Mar. 27	Apr. 17	Apr. 24	May 10
Banks	1690	1825	1840	2025
Hotels	20%	21%	22%	25.8
China Lights (old)	11%	13%	15.55	16.3/4
Dairy Farms	49	58	60%	67%

Letters of administration to the estate of Alfredo Frederico dos Remedios, late of Club de Macau, Macau, who died at the Conde Sao Jannario Hospital, Macau, on Nov. 16, 1943; leaving local estate sworn under \$30,700, have been granted to his widow, Lucia Maria Beltran Remedios of 7 Salisbury Avenue, Kowloon.

Tokyo, May 10. Representatives of eight Allied nations are at present touring the west coast of Honshu, looking into the bay's anchorages where some of the 1,500 vessels allegedly stolen by the Japanese during the war may be still hidden.

To date the Japanese government has notified Allied headquarters of only 70 Allied ships brought to Japan. The possibility has been expressed that some of the remainder are on the bottom of Japanese harbours.

Meanwhile, the Japanese claim records of the stolen ships were burned during American air raids on Tokyo and elsewhere. A Headquarters official said investigation already had disclosed the whereabouts of some ships which were not turned over as required under SCAP directives.

Officials hope to recover as much looted property as possible before signing the peace treaty, since it is recognized that restoration hereafter would be extremely difficult.

Britain Wants 330

So far, four vessels have been returned to their original owners. China got a cruiser and a dredge; Great Britain a cargo vessel; Korea a cargo vessel. Two more vessels, including a Customs patrol boat and a small cargo vessel are now en route to China for delivery and five other ships are being repaired prior to restitution. The costs are completely borne by the Japanese government.

Britain is now hunting 330 ships, but less than 40 of these fall within SCAP's jurisdiction. China claims 52 ships and Korea claims 120, mostly fishing boats.

Allied officials concerned with locating looted property are now considering asking the aid of Allied Military Government teams and various naval units now in these waters. If possible, a simultaneous check will be made of all large ports, followed by an exhaustive survey of small bays and coves along the extensive coastline. — United Press.

General Nicholls Arriving

Major General Leslie B. Nicholls, who, as General Eisenhower's Chief Signal Officer was largely responsible for the signal communications for the North African campaign and the liberation of Europe, will arrive in Hong Kong on May 16.

He is now a director of Cable & Wireless and left London by air on Wednesday for the Far East for important discussions in connection with the restoration and modernization of the communications service.

While in Hong Kong he will discuss with the Company's Manager various local problems for extension of the Colony's overseas communications including worldwide radio-telephony and plans for overhaul of the cable system at cost of several millions.

Eight cable-ships are now engaged in this work and two more will shortly be added to the fleet. Though a leading radio engineer, General Nicholls believes that future development of telecommunications lies in the integration of cable with radio services so as to combine with the speed of wireless the reliability and security of the cable.

He will afterwards visit Japan to confer with British and American authorities. While there he will meet his wartime friend, General George L. Buck of the U.S. Army. General Buck was his deputy when he served as Eisenhower's Chief Signal Officer at Allied Forces Headquarters in North Africa and Italy and is now Chief Signal Officer to General MacArthur.

General Nicholls, who is 51, served as pilot in the R.A.F. during the 1914-18 war and in China between the wars.

Price Controls

The following additions to the Price Control schedule were gazetted yesterday:—

BEER

Guinness Stout, Wholesale Price (pints) per bottle \$1.15; Maximum Retail Price for consumption off the premises (per bottle) \$1.35; Maximum Retail Price for consumption on the premises (per bottle) \$1.65.

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ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Peninsula Hotel arrivals—Capt. and Mrs. A. Damgaard, M.D. Elias, G. Catlin and R.M.P. Dalmatier.

Peninsula departures—Dr. and Mrs. E. Singer, M. Thaine, J.L. Drent, R.G. Darrow, W.M. Turner, R. Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. L.J. Dorney, H.E. Lin, Mrs. E. Molloy, Miss L. Eberhart, H.K. Nicholls, G.M. Fomeraye, Mr. and Mrs. G.C. Sayer and D.E. Battie.

Mr. F.W. Kendall, a well known pioneer Hong Kong resident, returned to the Colony last week by Philippine Air Lines. Mr. Kendall has assumed the duties of District Traffic Manager for Philippine Air Lines and will make his headquarters in Hong Kong working in conjunction with The De La Rama Steamship Co., Inc. who are the General Hong Kong Agents for P.A.L. For some months past Mr. Kendall has been closely associated with A. Soriano & Co. of Manila, General Managers of Philippine Air Lines.

Five Chinese hawkers appeared in court yesterday before Mr. Latimer charged with selling ice cream sticks contrary to the Cholera Regulations. Defendants were fined \$20 each, with the exception, of a 17-year-old youth who was ordered to be medically examined prior to sentencing.

Tin Hau's Birthday Tuesday

The birthday of the Goddess of Heaven ("Tin Hau") will be observed by a large proportion of the Chinese community on Tuesday.

The Goddess of Heaven is the patron saint of Chinese seamen and it is the traditional belief that during storms and other maritime crises, should ships be in distress, help will be forthcoming if the aid of this goddess is invoked.

Special ceremonies will be held at temples dedicated to this deity. The more pious particularly fisher-folk and those whose business is connected with the sea, will make a pilgrimage to the Goddess of Heaven Temple at Chek Wan in Chinese territory. The Hong Kong and Yumant Ferry Co., Ltd., will be running special ferry services to and from Chek Wan on Tuesday for the convenience of the thousands of people who will be making the pilgrimage.

In addition to the usual offerings which are made to other deities, coast pigs will be conspicuous on the list of offerings laid out before the Goddess of Heaven as an expression of gratitude for divine aid during the past year.

Parents usually take their children on the pilgrimage so that the latter, by entering the Temple of the Goddess, may benefit from the inexhaustible mercy of "Tin Hau." At the temple gates, brightly coloured cardboard roosters, paper windmills, swords made of copper "cash" and other charms, believed to be most potent in warding off evil influences, will be on sale and in great demand.

Yesterday hundreds of devout worshippers flocked to the Temple of the Goddess of Heaven at Causeway Bay to pay advance homage to "Tin Hau."

"Shamshuiipo Cocktail"

An attractive programme is being rehearsed at the Kowloon Cricket Club for the performances of "A Shamshuiipo Cocktail" which are to take place next Friday and Saturday.

Included in the items are a male voice trio, a violin trio, ballads by Philip Yvanovich and Ted Castro, trios and solos by the "girls," impersonations by Reggie Wood, a double turn by "Sophie Tucker," Jack Baille and Jack Grenham. Eddie and Gussie Noronha are putting on some old favourites and, of course "Sonny" will have all the ladies guessing as to how "she" manipulates "her" figure. An added attraction to a well-balanced programme will be the first appearance since 1941 of Marvino and Janene in their dual magical act entitled "It's fun to be fooled."

There will be many other surprises in store for the very large houses expected. The booking for Saturday is practically sold out and there are very few seats left for Friday.

Owing to unforeseen circumstances the original orchestra will not be up to full strength, but the Gray Brothers (Charlie and Frank) with their usual generosity, are providing the band.

The pianoforte accompaniments will be in the hands of those two wizards of the keys M. F. Alacon and Spud Sparay.

CABLES "OFF"

Cable and Wireless, Ltd., has advised that it is not accepting commercial messages for Shanghai due to a telecommunications strike there. Press and government traffic is still being accepted.

The strike took effect at 9 a.m. this morning, with workers demanding a 60 per cent wage increase.—United Press.

STAGE CLUB

The date of the Hong Kong Stage Club's production of "Youth at the Helm" has now been finally fixed. The opening night will be on Monday, May 19 at 8.30 p.m. instead of at 7.30. This has been done as a result of numerous requests from the gourmets of the Colony, who have hitherto had to make do with high tea.

The cast of the play will be as follows:—
 Randolph Wagender—Desmond Scott.
 Laurence Fitch—Reinaldo Oblitas.
 Dorothy Wilson, a typist—Denise Dzelic.
 The Chairman of the Bank—Frank Crompton.
 Yvonne, his daughter—Alice Dedear.
 Penobson, the Managing Director—Ronald Howard.
 Nicholson and Hollman Joint Managers—Malcolm Hay and Dennis James.
 William, the Commissioner—Charles Wickstead.
 Lord Farley—Leonard French.
 Roberts, of the Board of Trade—Frank Leeming.
 An Old Gentleman—Brenden Rae.
 Office Boy—Derek Coussell.

The play is being produced by Donald Rudd, and the Stage management is in the hands of Victor Neale.

On Friday night, H.M.S. Bermuda, sailed for home, taking with her not only the producer of our next offering over ZBW, but also several of our more active members. Kenneth Bradford, Alan Palmer and Colin James are all names well-known to regular followers of the Stage Club; Colin James, indeed, was in the very act of producing "Will You Walk into My Parlour?" (to be heard tomorrow evening at 9.15 over ZBW). The breach has now been filled by our Chairman, Bill Cole.

The principal parts are being played by Ronald Howard, Alice Dedear, James Mills and Bill Cole himself, who thus performs the difficult task of producing and acting in the same play.

And finally, we would like to give notice of the casting meeting for "Who'll Buy My Corpse," a radio play by Nigel Lynton, who is a member of the Stage Club. This will take place on the second floor of the Cheero Club at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday May 15. The play has parts for one young lady and males of varying ages. C. H.

TWO SEAMEN CHARGED

Two more seamen who missed their ships were charged before Mr. N. Garland in the Marine Court yesterday.

They were Ralph de Marrs, 48, of the "Arcadia Victory" which left on May 7, and Rose Saleh, 42, of the "Algonquin" which sailed on May 8.

Hearing was adjourned to May 12 for a representative of the American Consulate-General to be present as both defendants are American citizens.

"LOKSANG" CREW ACQUITTED

Kobe, May 10. The Provost Court today acquitted 44 Chinese crew members of the British cargo ship, Loksang, of charges of unlawful importation of sugar.

"BREAD OR COFFINS" PARADE IN GERMANY

Hamburg, May 9. German trade unions today led the greatest strikes in Germany since the pre-Hitler days, while demonstrators marched through the streets of Hamburg and Hanover with banners carrying the inscription "Give us Bread—or Coffins." In Hamburg, a crowd estimated at 120,000 listened to a speech by the trade union leader, Adolf Kummernuss, cheered his declaration that the demonstration was the last "warning" of the German trade unions, and dispersed quickly when advised to go back to work.

The five-hour strike began political unity would be restored at the conference of Foreign Ministers in Moscow. This hope has faded and we have to wait until the autumn—all the United Nations become more united than they have so far been.

"Little Kingdoms are being created within Germany, but the little kings overlook the fact that outside them other people are living and starving."

Kummernuss referred to the saying of the former German Propaganda Minister, Goebbels (who committed suicide when Germany capitulated), that "if we (the Nazi party) perish the German people perish," and declared: "There is a limit to what a man can suffer and that limit is now reached. The moment has come to tell the British and German authorities and the world that Germany cannot go on without food, and that when we perish you perish also."

"A nation of 70,000,000 in the centre of Europe cannot go to the dogs without other millions being dragged down," Kummernuss added, and demanded that the Agricultural Office in Hamburg, in cooperation with the unions immediately overhaul all stores in Hamburg and its vicinity and hoarded there be immediately distributed to the population. He maintained that the trade unions should keep watch on the authorities concerned with the collecting and distribution of food.—Retour.

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DON BRADMAN ON THE TEST SERIES

PERFORMANCE OF ENGLAND WAS DISAPPOINTING

During the M.C.C. tour of Australia I was unable to make any public comment upon play in the first-class matches. Further than this, I deemed it unwise to make statements upon controversial issues.

However, now that season has passed I cannot see that I would be doing any harm in making comments about the tour.

My attitude in this regard has possibly been influenced to a certain extent by the incredible amount of rubbish which appeared from time to time during the season and which frequently gave the public a false picture of events.

No matter how knowledgeable the writer may be there are numerous occasions upon which he just cannot know exactly what has happened in the middle. Proof of this is the fact that the players themselves often consult their own colleagues about certain incidents, and fielders argue and disagree about what actually occurred.

May I say at once that the M.C.C. team was extremely popular and left behind a fine impression here. The Australian public will welcome any of the last team who may come again and regret they have seen the last of the few well-known figures.

Over-Worked Bowlers

Taking the tour as a whole it cannot be denied that the performance of the English team was disappointing. Even now I find it most difficult to say precisely why this was so. There was, of course, the lack of a fast bowler and I put down as a major trouble the tremendous amount of work which the two star bowlers Bedser and Wright were called upon to do.

In addition to this, the fact that Edrich had to be utilised so much as a bowler and to a lesser extent Yardley, also possibly affected their batting towards the end of the tour.

The inability of Hammond to strike his true form must have been a keen disappointment to the team as well as to himself, for it would have made such an enormous difference to the middle of the English batting.

With Hammond in form, the selectors may have felt justified in playing an additional bowler, whereas it appeared evident they were attempting to strengthen their batting

throughout the tour at the expense of their bowling—simply because they feared a breakdown.

Early in the tour I thought Pollard would develop into a most valuable unit in the team and after his splendid bowling against me in the State match at Adelaide I find it hard to understand why he wasn't given better opportunities later on.

Irony Of Keenness

We out here rather felt that Langridge might have forced his way into the first Test team as a utility man in an endeavour to fill the position formerly occupied by Verity. That the Englishmen were thinking along similar lines was evidenced by his selection in the third Test. His inability to play was a great misfortune.

I happened to be fielding alongside Langridge on the Melbourne cricket ground when he received his leg injury and I realised at once how severe it was. He was in great pain and had to be assisted from the field. The irony of it was that Langridge had concluded his practice but his keenness had brought him back for an additional bit of fielding when the injury occurred.

The English selectors here were always faced with a difficult task. Peter Smith bowled admirably at times and forced his way into the Test side but such a selection was somewhat speculative for it seemed to us Australians that if one slow bowler could not achieve success against us then two were hardly likely to succeed. On the contrary, Australia was always able to draw upon a wide range of bowlers who not only fitted admirably into the combination but who revealed unsuspected abilities in other directions.

We missed Billy Brown as one of our sheet anchor opening batsmen but the experiment of using Barnes proved completely successful whilst the young left-hander Morris, after a shaky start, subsequently left no doubt of his quality.

Loss Of Toss At Brisbane

Some newspaper writers unduly emphasised how unfortunate England was to lose the toss in the first Brisbane Test, actually England's loss of the match may be more fairly put down to missed chances in the field which enabled us to bat al-

This is the first of seven articles on the recent Test Matches by Don Bradman, captain of the Australian team.

most until the rain came, catching England on a sticky wicket. Reasonably early dismissal of Australia would have given England a good wicket to bat on and found us on that sticky wicket. Really wonderful bowling by Bedser in Brisbane with poor reward through faulty fielding and from that bad start England didn't seem to recover.

In the second Test in Sydney England put up her worst performance and no reasoning whatsoever can excuse the batsmen for their timid showing in England's first innings. That was our big win, and remember that England won the toss.

Up to this stage the failure of Hutton in Test matches had a marked influence and it was quite noticeable how much better the England team played in the Melbourne Test. In this latter match I was taken to task for not declaring Australia's innings sooner. Actually we were at one stage in grave danger of defeat and only the brilliant Tailor-Lindwall partnership pulled us through.

The Adelaide Test was disappointing from the viewpoint of the spectators even though it did produce individual performances particularly by Compton and Morris which were worthy to be ranked with the great masters.

And to give credit where it is due, I believe the ball with which Alec Bedser bowled me in that match was the best I have received from any medium-paced bowler in my career.

Succession Of Thrills

Whatever disappointment might have been felt in Adelaide amends were made in Sydney for this game was just a succession of thrills. Catches were dropped at vital moments.

The whole atmosphere was electric and the excitement of the last day, when Australia was going for runs, was more reminiscent of a football than a cricket match.

At one stage Wright and Bedser seemed to have the upper hand and forced our batsmen so much on the defensive that it seemed we could scarcely hope to get runs. However, Miller, by daring and forceful batting in the last half-hour, clinched the match.

There was at one stage of the tour a comment by a leading journalist that Australian fast bowling was "body-line." I want to make it crystal clear that such comment was absolutely untrue and simply revealed the writer's ignorance of the game.

At no stage of the tour did our fast bowlers use such tactics as a method of attack and never did I allow more than three men to be placed on the outside to fast bowling.

Reflection On Sane Thinking

I have never in my life asked a fast bowler to bowl bumpers but it seems a reflection on sane thinking if a fast bowler is not allowed to bowl an occasional short-pitched ball to a predominantly off-side field without being stigmatised.

Such tactics bear no relation to the systematic use of bumpers with a field placed to take advantage of such bowling.

Then as regards umpires, I admit freely that the standard in Australia is not, generally speaking, as good as that which prevails in England. Our numbers are limited and the opportunity for experience is much more rare. Nevertheless, in the past series of Tests adverse criticism of the umpires was, in my opinion, not justified.

There were numerous occasions (both favourable and unfavourable to Australia) of disagreement about decisions. Our own fielders argued and disagreed over one or two incidents as to whether the batsmen were out or not. I distinctly remember one ball when the

bowler was quite convinced the batsman was out, caught behind the wicket. Fielding at mid-off, I was equally convinced he was not out and the batsman confirmed this by saying he didn't touch the ball.

No Argument

One l.b.w. appeal against an English batsman was negatived but appeared to be out—so much so that I asked the umpire the reason for his decision. He answered that in his opinion the ball had pitched just outside the leg stump. With such an answer there could be no argument for only the umpire was in a position to see.

The rules governing the appointment of umpires in Australia were often given publicity. The very fact that no changes were made in the five Tests should be sufficient proof that no evidence of incompetent umpiring could be produced.

Nobody questioned the integrity of the umpires and as long as Test matches are played we will need to depend upon a human being for this service who, as such, will be susceptible to the normal fallibility of mortals.

Australia Better Balanced

It would do cricket far more good if suggestions were made whereby any shortcomings could be improved. This destructive criticism, the great majority of which during the last series had no basis in fact, was embarrassing to the umpires and was not supported by the players.

I even saw an English newspaper give a detailed description of what actually happened in one incident which was the subject of dispute, written by a man who was in England at the time. Such things can only bring ridicule on the writer and his newspaper and they are harmful to the game itself.

On play throughout the tour, Australia had a better balanced team. This, more than any other factor, was responsible for Australia's success.

As far as the English players were concerned, they didn't make any excuses and accepted the result of the series in an excellent spirit.

England needs to fill certain gaps in her Eleven and with these I shall deal in a later article.

Planned Economy Protest

Le Havre, May 9. Business activities were at a standstill today in this port city of 150,000 population as all tradesmen closed down their shops in protest against the government's planned economy.

Places of business carried posters explaining, "Our protest is not against consumers. We are demonstrating for our economic liberation and in favour of ending a regime of coercion, incoherence and ruin."

Several thousand demonstrators attended a meeting in Exposition Hall here to cheer speakers demanding a return to freedom of commerce and relaxation of restrictions on business.

The demonstration is a one-day protest. Shops will reopen tomorrow.—United Press.

Marine Strike In Sweden

Stockholm, May 9.

About 2,000 captains, deck officers and wireless operators of the Swedish Merchant Marine will strike tomorrow, following rejection by shipping companies of demands for higher wages and collective bargaining rights.

Officers who are on monthly contracts will leave their ships in the nearest Swedish port.

The strike will mean a catastrophe for Sweden's supplies, especially the fuel situation, as Swedish coal importers have just ordered half a million tons of coal from abroad for which it is now impossible to get transport.—Reuter.

Russian Red Tape Around Berlin

By IAN COLVIN

We have sat in Berlin for two years now, unable to visit the surrounding country because there are forty miles of red tape round the city, and stolid Russian sentries to prevent us going beyond.

Beyond, between the Elbe and the Oder, lies the Soviet Zone, a satellite state of Russia in Central Europe.

The Western Allies have brought to the Rhine some of the injustices against which they were fighting—imprisonment without trial, restriction of personal liberties, dispossession, censorship, civic outlawry, denunciation—all these old enemies of the English speaking people have come in, as it were, in the baggage of the occupying forces, waving flags of red, white and blue.

One Party Rule

They have emerged from some of the restrictive interallied laws of denazification, property control, democratisation and demilitarisation.

We all know and trust that they are not here for good and that Western opinion will one day sweep them out of the British Zone again.

The Soviet Zone is a zone with a difference. It seems on the surface to have a great measure of tolerance until you look down the back streets.

Firstly it is suffering from one-party rule.

Imagine the Socialists in England forbidding Opposition candidates to stand in the North, and allowing country constituencies one candidate only—their own.

That will give you a sense of the prevailing feeling of political suffocation in Brandenburg and Saxony, although the Liberals and Christian Democrats obtained between them nearly half the votes polled in the Soviet Zone elections last autumn.

The second unpleasant feature of the Eastern Zone is the Soviet Military Courts.

They operate under the N.K.W.D. or State Police on direct orders from Moscow, and force that state within the state which works like a cancer on the health of a country.

In the Western Zones there are plenty of Nazis sitting in concentration camps for no other crime than having been politically obtuse and having believed in a common little man.

But in the Eastern Zone, Nazis, Social Democrats, Christian Democrats, Liberals, all sit in concentration camps together. The officer discharged from a British P.O.W. camp in Wales is re-arrested and sits beside the squire, whose crime it has been to have offended one thousand acres more efficiently than his neighbour can farm six acres.

Incidentally, the small man with his five acres may be behind wire as well by now for failing to deliver his quota of rye and potatoes fixed for him by the local Soviet agricultural committee.

"We are not interested in the reasons for non-delivery," said the chairman of one of these courts.

Familiar Names

There are four main gathering places for those who commit crimes against State Socialism—Buchenwald, near Weimar; Torgau Prison; Sachsenhausen, near Oranienburg; and Jemnitz, near Lieberose. My readers will remember some of these names from newspapers between 1933 and 1945. Whoever goes in there today is beyond the reach even of the Russian Military Government, and beyond the reach of food parcels, letter post or priest.

I am asked not to mention names, or I could tell you of a Social Democrat who has been interned since December, 1945, for criticising land reform in a speech.

Western Allies have set up German jury panels in a brave attempt at the insoluble problem of sterilising men politically by "denazification." In the Soviet Zone, trial by your peers is not yet acceptable to the occupying Power. There are only a few German panels in the cities.

The N.K.W.D. retains its grip on "denazification."

Curious Results

This unhealthy summary justice with no appeal has curious results.

Active members of the Nazi Party are retained in key positions in Soviet Zone industry, while nominal members are dispossessed and interned.

This happens because the Soviet administration encourages denunciation, and very often a man with a pleasant house and garden is denounced by an envious neighbour.

Every now and then, a trainload of political convicts rolls eastwards. The last of which I have certain knowledge left Torgau just before Christmas with 200 political internees and debouched at Brest Litovsk in the same station as Mr. Bevin changed trains for Moscow.

One of the 200 was carried to Torgau station, swinging by his hands and feet between four companions. The Nazis did much worse things than this, but they did not pretend to be the universal benefactors of mankind.

Gloomy Foreboding

This is not an indictment of the Russian character. Russians I have met in Saxony and Brandenburg have been men of good humour, openness and bravery. Their very simplicity of thought is refreshing after the abstruse and vacillating minds of British Military Government.

There is a sense of endeavour, a feeling, albeit hollow, of "strength through joy," that keeps public life moving in the Soviet Zone, despite the exhausting reparations and removals programme that has stripped it of machinery, factories, works of art, consumer goods, livestock and skilled labour.

Russian local administration is far less complicated than British administration.

Yet I feel that British vices and errors will be mellowed away as time progresses, and I have a gloomy foreboding that Sovietisation cannot stand the light of retreat from the Eastern Zone.

The Red Army may well wish to pull out and re-form behind the Oder, but secret police never like to abandon any foothold.

DUKE TO VISIT GERMANY

Berlin, May 10. The Duke of Gloucester is to visit units of the Army of which he is Colonel-in-Chief in Germany.

The Duke will arrive at Buckeburg on May 15 and stay four days in Germany. He will visit the 1st Battalion Rifle Brigade, the 1st Battalion Gordon Highlanders and the 10th Hussars. He will also attend the B.A.O.R. horse show at Luneburg. — Associated Press.

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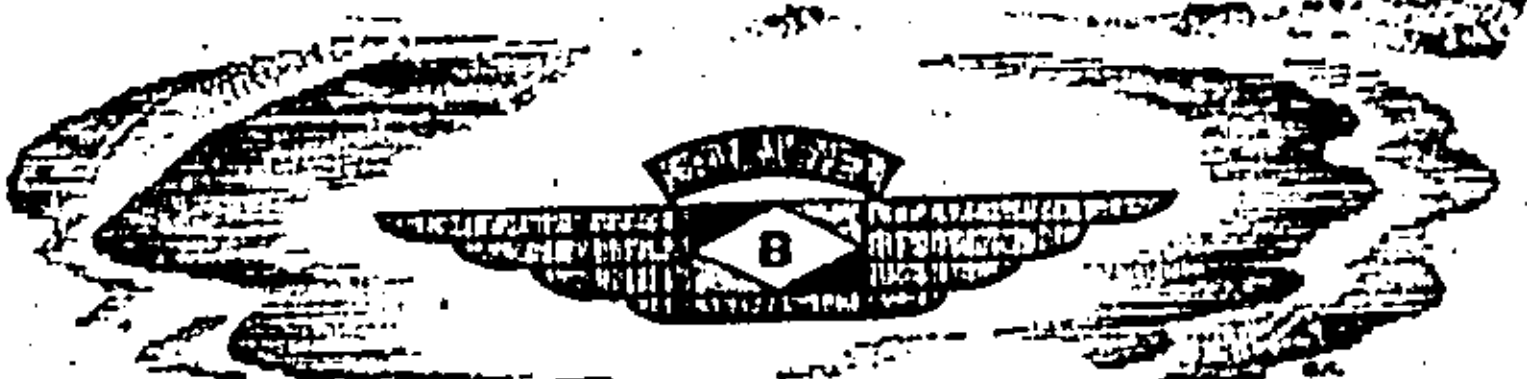
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ISMAIL—At St. Teresa's Hospital on 9th May 1947, to Hilda Antonio, wife of Mr. A. H. "Tarzan" Ismail, the gift of a daughter, Diane Marie Josephine.

PALESTINE

The controversy provoked the recent statement on Palestine by Mr. Ernest Bevin in the long run do more good than harm if it stimulates thought as well as argument. Any one interested in the English language must have been shocked by the wild excesses indulged in by many of Mr. Bevin's American critics. Even a sober journal like the "Los Angeles Times," writing in a most friendly way about Mr. Bevin, described his speech as a "tirade." This is a good illustration of how squeamish the public has become. It is paradoxical that the English and American people are more often angered by truth than they are by falsehoods. Twenty times a day, every day of the week, the Russians on the radio say far more offensive things about the American Government than anything Mr. Bevin has ever said. But no one minds or bothers to answer because the accusations of Radio Moscow are so patently absurd that they leave no sting. Mr. Bevin spoke the truth and it left a grievous wound on the American conscience. We live today in a world very largely of false values, and nothing proves it so much as the reaction to Britain's blunt frankness on Palestine. What he said may have been undiplomatic, untimely and unhelpful, but certainly his words were spoken more in sorrow than in anger. They could not conceivably by any objective person be called a "tirade"—and this was about the mildest epithet applied in the American press to the Bevin speech. For instance, Mr. Frank Buchanan, of Pennsylvania, posed the following rhetorical question in Congress: "Aren't 6,000,000 Jewish dead sufficient, or must British obstinacy destroy the remaining 1,500,000 in Europe?" You might almost think from this that it was the British, and not Hitler, who killed the 6,000,000 Jews. You might even suppose that the Americans were so unhappy about the plight of the pitiful remnant of European Jewry that they wished to admit them to the United States. Unfortunately, this is not so. While many Americans are prepared to encourage illegal Jewish immigration into Palestine, none of them are prepared to advocate legal Jewish immigration into the United States. The doors of the United States are as tightly barred as those of all other countries. Twenty centuries after the death of Christ, "Love thy neighbour as thyself" has ceased even to be a pious aspiration. The world should remember the parable of Good Samaritan. When he found a man who had fallen among thieves, he put him on his donkey and took him to an inn. He gave the innkeeper money and said, "If it be more, when I come again I will pay thee." The significance of the story lies in the fact that the Good Samaritan put the man on his own donkey and paid money out of his own pocket. People are constantly suggesting that the Jews should be allowed to go to Palestine or to Alaska or to Peru, but strangely enough these suggestions seldom come from Palestinians, Alaskans or Peruvians. We await with interest the day when some Government offers to open its own doors, rather than those of some other country, to the foreign remnants of an ancient and afflicted race.

What with economic difficulties at home and diplomatic difficulties abroad, this country is traversing a peculiarly dangerous crisis, during which its fate swings in the balance. The risks overhanging us are tremendous—on the economic side national poverty amounting to misery, on the political side the loss of our nation's external and internal freedom, which for centuries has been taken for granted, and on which all our morality and civilisation rest. It is still possible to surmount these perils, as in the past we have surmounted so many others. But we shall do so only if we rise to the occasion unmistakably; and we shall so rise only if all our larger groups of well-intentioned citizens have some common understanding of what the occasion is, and do not make elementary mistakes about it.

The members of the Co-operative Movement are such a group. Their numbers are large, and their leaders have for generations been justly regarded as embodying a great deal of the best wisdom of the working class. How comes it, then, that the conference of the Co-operative Party held over Easter at Llandudno could make such an exhibition of itself as it did in reference to foreign affairs? To see the episode fairly, it should be noted that both the bad resolutions passed were passed against the advice of the executive. Nevertheless, passed they were—in a meeting at which on the card votes over 6,000,000 members were nominally represented.

Silliness

The first of them was that the Government should, in effect, arrange for all our diplomatic representatives abroad to be Socialists. In vain the chairman of the conference protested that it was "not altogether advisable," when a Government was changed, to relieve every ambassador of his post! One might have thought that such a resolution carried silliness far enough, but the one passed on Easter Monday went beyond it. It was a criticism of the American loan to Greece and Turkey, which it described as constituting "a menace to world peace," and as being "the negation of the democratic principles for the preservation of which the grave sacrifices of the last war were made," and further, as impairing the authority of the United Nations and destroying "the confidence and hopes of free peoples everywhere." The mover of the resolution said that "President Truman, has betrayed the trust that history has placed in his hands, and has been guilty of a piece of statesmanship without parallel in its irresponsibility in the post-war period."

Words And Deeds

But, says someone, these views, though they may be wrong, are tenable, and why in a free country should not the Co-operators express them? The answer is: because as a political organisation they have a responsibility towards the country and the Government. The Government has set the country's diplomatic course in a particular direction, which the Co-operators themselves only in the day before (though by a

narrow majority) had approved. And Mr. Bevin was then in Moscow, trying to give effect to it.

Was it fair to him, or to the country he represents, that while he was thus engaged, and was in daily co-operation with President Truman's representatives, his hand should be weakened by the news that this very large section of his supporters had condemned President Truman's policy, and had applauded statements accusing the President of "betrayal of trust" and of "statesmanship without parallel in its irresponsibility?" Remember that in such circumstances the hand weakened is not just that of Mr. Bevin personally. It is that of Great Britain.

The Difference

What the Co-operators (and not they alone) have to learn is that the democratic right to criticise the Government (which in totalitarian States like Russia and her satellites does not exist) ought not, for national reasons, to be exercised in regard to foreign affairs with so little restraint as it often safely may be in regard to domestic ones. If you dislike something which the Government is doing in the home field, it may not matter much—save to your own reputation—whether your criticism is guarded or unguarded, in season or out of season. But in the foreign field it is very different. There the question of national safety comes in; and it ought never to be forgotten how easily words get the force of deeds. Always that consideration should moderate what we say, not merely about our own Ministers, but still more (indeed very much more) about the chiefs of a foreign country which is co-operating with ours. If one looks into the contents of the Llandudno declarations, their origin is pretty obvious. It is the Russian propaganda. The leading motive in that propaganda is, very naturally, to sow dissension between ourselves and the United States. Accordingly it is anti-British in America and anti-American here. It aims on both sides of the Atlantic to depict the two English-speaking nations as rivals, and to foster envy and malice between them. Whoever in either country vilifies the other is grinding the Soviet axe.

Take Over Torch

All the talk about Mr. Truman's aid to Greece and Turkey being "aggressive" has that origin. There is nothing aggressive about it; the aggression has been and is entirely on the side of Soviet Russia, which ever since the world war ended has been trying by force and threats to get a stranglehold on both countries. Great Britain, having a far-back familiarity with the Mediterranean, was the first to grasp the menace which that attack involved, not merely for the two countries, but through them for the whole still-free residue of Europe. Thus it was British arms and economic support which first filled the breach.

America, traditionally distant in the Mediterranean, held aloof. Only as Britain's economic weakness developed, and the task began to prove beyond us, did America step in, not to attempt anything novel,

but to take over the torch from our hands and to carry it on. Surely we should be profoundly thankful that she did. Could anything better show how propaganda-addicted some sections of our people are than the Co-operators' failure to see the obvious? Is it not time the Government did more to make its own supporters knowledgeable?

Mr. Wallace Inflated

But errors about American personalities unfortunately go far beyond a Co-operators' conference. Consider the reception accorded to Mr. Henry Wallace. He is the leader of the pro-Russian wing of the Democratic Party. He left the American Government because, being hostile to "British imperialism" and blind to Russian imperialism, he could no longer work under President Truman. He has had little success since in his own country. But in one direction after another we on this side gave him the limelight. For example, the B.B.C. granted him the single best quarter of an hour in its gift during the whole week. What conceivable claims has he to such a hearing?

And how did the B.B.C. come to grant it? The Corporation is not, of course (and quite rightly), under rigid Government control. But in high matters of foreign policy it ought surely to have some liaison with the Foreign Office. Downing Street could scarcely be unaware of the lamentable impression that the publishing of Mr. Wallace in this way is bound to produce upon the friendly Government at Washington, or indeed upon our friends in the United States generally. Americans will ask themselves whether such a misadventure can be explained by mere British fatuity, or whether some hidden anti-American influence has been at work. Perhaps our own authorities might prudently examine the question.

New Ministers In France

Paris, May 9. The Cabinet today named three Socialists and two Popular Republicans to occupy the posts left vacant in the Government following last Sunday's exclusion of Communist Ministers.

The new Ministers are Daniel Mayer (Socialist), Minister of Labour, Eugene Thomas (Socialist) Minister of Postal and Telegraphic Services, Robert Prigent (M.R.P.) Minister of Public Health and Populations, Paul Bechard (Socialist) Secretary of State for National Defence, Jean Leclercq (M.R.P.) Minister of Reconstruction, concurrently Minister of Commerce.

The Premier, M. Paul Ramadier, said that the reshuffling of the Cabinet does not indicate any change in the Government's policy at home or abroad.

The Cabinet also decided that duties normally carried out by M. Maurice Thorez, Communist Vice-Premier, should be taken over by Pierre Teitgen (M.R.P.), who is already Vice-Premier—Reuter.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"I tried to keep quiet, your honor, but that makes her madder than anything I could say!"

Mrs. Jan Storek From Lidice Was There

By Helen Fisher

The bereaved parents of Czechoslovakia watched in silence today as Archbishop Josef Beran dedicated the world's first monument to the millions of unknown children who died in World War II.

Mrs. Jan Storek from Lidice was there, remembering her plump, smiling, 13-year-old Jaroslava with her long dark braids. The braids, still in neat ribbons, were the last things she saw when the SS men took her daughter away forever near Kladno, nearly five years ago.

Mrs. Storek's hand touched the hand of the sombre woman beside her, Milena Samal, whose husband and father were executed by the Nazis, was remembering too. Her own years in concentration camps and things too terrible to think of were often softened only by the sight of her own Jiri and Alenka. They had been carried off by SS men, but they had come home.

Now Jiri and Alenka were standing nervously before a congregation of Czechoslovakians bereaved in the beautiful Renaissance Cathedral of the Victorious Virgin, awaiting the signal of Archbishop Josef Beran to pull aside the veil covering the world's first memorial to an unknown child.

Softly, the Archbishop spoke of all the world's children who had died in six years of war and occupation, his voice rising and falling in the great edifice which houses the cherished, time-stained, miracle-working statue of the Infant Jesus. To Milena Samal's children went his first words, and everybody there remembered how the Archbishop himself had spent years in Dachau, sweeping streets and carrying garbage

under the lashes of Hitler's Storm Troopers. "It is fitting," said the Archbishop, "that these children unveil this memorial, for they themselves passed through the horrors which took the lives of so many innocent children, to whom we are dedicating it."

His eyes were raised to the Infant Jesus. "All through these long years," he said, "the grandmother of Jiri and Alenka Samal prayed before this shrine for their safe return. And her prayers were answered." The soft voice went on recalling the numberless tragedies of June, 1942, when Jiri and Alenka were transported to Poland after their father and grandfather were arrested in the terror raids following the assassination of "The Butcher"—Reinhard Heydrich.

The ashes of the grandfather, Premysl Samal, resistance leader in two wars and a Government official between them, were returned only last week to the family burial ground in Prague. His son, Professor Jaromir Samal, was murdered with him in Berlin for resistance activities. The Archbishop continued: "Into this 20th century, which was the first distinguished by child care ideals and institutions, came the barbarous Nazi philosophy.... but the sacrifice of these children was not in vain. This monument will stand as a constant reminder of what can happen when people forget Christian love. It will help us to remember that the greatest sin man can commit is to injure an innocent child."

He signed to Jiri and Alenka and the veil fell from the memorial plaque. Designed by Arno Adamek, who spent two years in hiding, and Professor Otakar Spanal, who was a concentration camp inmate, the memorial shows a man and woman before an altar, sorrowing over the body of a dead child. Above them an angel cradles the resurrected children.

Enclosed in the altar is a tiny casket containing the finger bone of an unidentified child who died in a death march to a concentration camp. "Of such is the Kingdom of Heaven—Dedicated to all innocent child victims of the war of 1939-45."—United Press.

GERMANY'S UNDERGROUND: A Review Of The Book By Allen Dulles

Adolf Hitler probably would have been assassinated on Sept. 29, 1938, and World War II would not have been fought if Neville Chamberlain had not decided the day before to fly to Munich and meet Hitler.

That is the conclusion of Allen W. Dulles, top-flight American intelligence officer, who conducted OSS (Office of Strategic Services) operations in Switzerland from 1942 to the end of the war. Dulles was in intimate contact with various German groups which plotted against Hitler.

The story of the fantastic plots which the Germans conceived against Hitler—but failed to execute—has been told in Dulles' book, "Germany's Underground."

The German General Staff, Dulles found, believed that war over Czechoslovakia would be a two-front affair, with Britain and France attacking from the west, Czechoslovakia from the east, and Germany from the south.

Berlin, May 9. The Berlin Telegram reports that a brief dispatch from London in the Times today says that the German General Staff believed that war over Czechoslovakia would be a two-front affair, with Britain and France attacking from the west, Czechoslovakia from the east, and Germany from the south.

France and Czechoslovakia fought back, Germany would lose the war.

"Working through a high official of the German foreign office who was a fellow conspirator," Dulles reported, "Beck informed the British of Hitler's plans and urged an unequivocal declaration by Britain that any violation of Czech neutrality would mean war."

"The conspirators believed that after such a statement the leaders of the German army would gain a new self-confidence and could be rallied against Hitler."

Before Beck's message reached London, however, Chamberlain had decided to go to Berchtesgaden. This dashed the conspirators' hopes, but late, in September, the crisis sharpened.

"Early on the 28th (of September)," Dulles reported, "the conspirators' liaison in London was broken off by Berlin, that is, he was sure that the German army would not follow him in his attempt to start a new war."

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Chief), it was reliably reported, was willing to go along."

Dulles revealed that at noon on Sept. 28, Field Marshal Erwin von Witzleben, one of Beck's associates, went to the office of Gen. Franz Halder, Brauchitsch's Chief of Staff, "to receive the orders that would start the push."

"In the midst of this crucial conversation," he said, "word came that the British Prime Minister and the French Premier would meet with Hitler in Munich the following day."

Dulles quoted Halder as saying under Allied interrogation: "Therefore I took back the order of execution because the whole basis for the action had been taken away. Now came Mr. Chamberlain and with one stroke the danger of war was avoided. I do not know if a non-military man can understand what it means to have the Czechoslovak army eliminated by the strike of the pen—and Czechoslovakia stripped of all her fortifications, standing naked like a new-born baby." With a stroke of the pen a victory was attained.

"The leaders of the German army group in the east were to announce their refusal to take any orders from Hitler. This was followed by a similar announcement by Witzleben. The German army was thus divided into two groups, one of which was willing to follow Hitler, and the other which was not."

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RENAULT STRIKE ENDS

Paris, May 9.

The two-week-old strike of about 20,000 Renault automobile workers ended today when the workers voted to return to work by 12,500 votes to 4,500.

The workers of the nationalised plant agreed to accept a three-month pay cut (from 12,500 to 10,000 francs a month).

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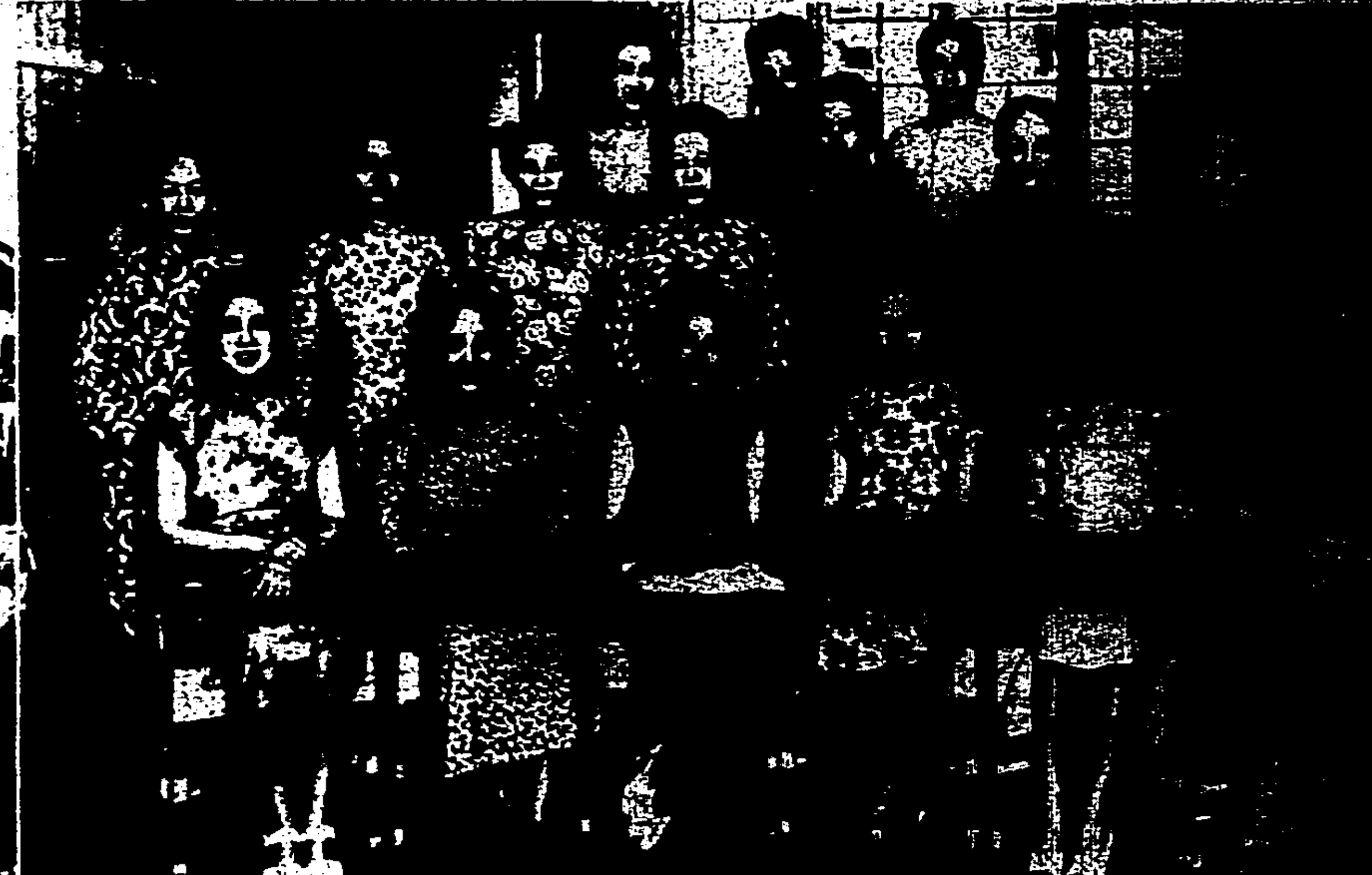
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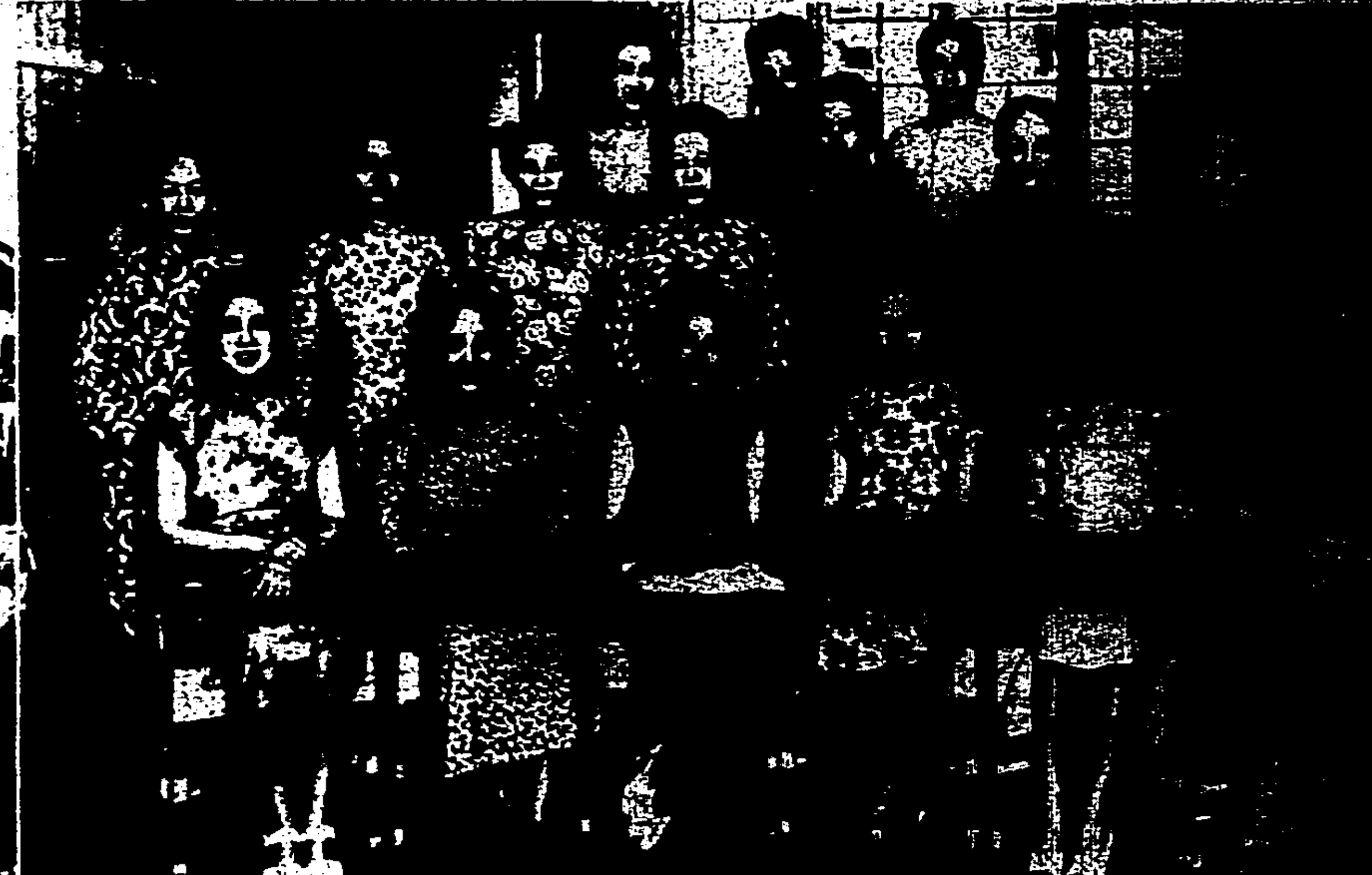
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THE ROUNDABOUT WAY Stalin On The Socialist Britain Two Peoples With Same Aims

London, May 9. Generalissimo Josef Stalin told a British Labour Party delegation last August last that he was gratified that both Britain and Russia were travelling in "the Socialist direction," it was revealed tonight.

The delegation's report, prepared for presentation to the British Labour Party's annual conference late this month, quoted Stalin as saying that Britain was going Socialist "in a roundabout British way."

The report said that Stalin's view was that, though his country recognized that Socialism could be obtained by other methods than through the Soviet's, they believed that theirs was the shortest, even if the most difficult way, and that it may be accompanied by bloodshed.

"M. Stalin said he was glad to receive the assurance of the delegation that the British people desired friendship and understanding with Russia, but he felt it would be amazing if there was not friendship between the two peoples. That was particularly so now that we both had the same aim, achievement of Socialism."

Right Line

"It was well known that the British people had feelings of friendship toward Russia, but it was not so well known that these feelings were reciprocated by the Russian people."

"M. Stalin felt that the Labour Government had adopted the right line in dealing with public ownership of basic industries first, but said he would like to know what were the dangers of reaction from political enemies of the Labour movement and from industrialists who were disappointed as the result of Government's actions."

"He thought that as far as domestic reconstruction was concerned, there was and would continue to be the fullest understanding between the two countries and he felt that in international affairs there could be the same degree of understanding. Russia would welcome the opportunity of fullest cooperation between our two peoples."

Election Surprise

The report said that Stalin, in reply to a question, said he was surprised at Labour's overwhelming victory in the 1945 general elections.

"He had not thought that such a result was possible at the time," the report said.

The delegation comprised Professor Harold Laski, former chairman of the Labour Party, Mr. Harold Clay, Miss Alice Bacon, and Mr. Morgan Phillips, Party Secretary.

Another report prepared for the Party conference said Party membership had risen from 3,038,697 a year ago 3,322,358, the highest number since 1926.—United Press.

BOMBING IN PARAGUAY

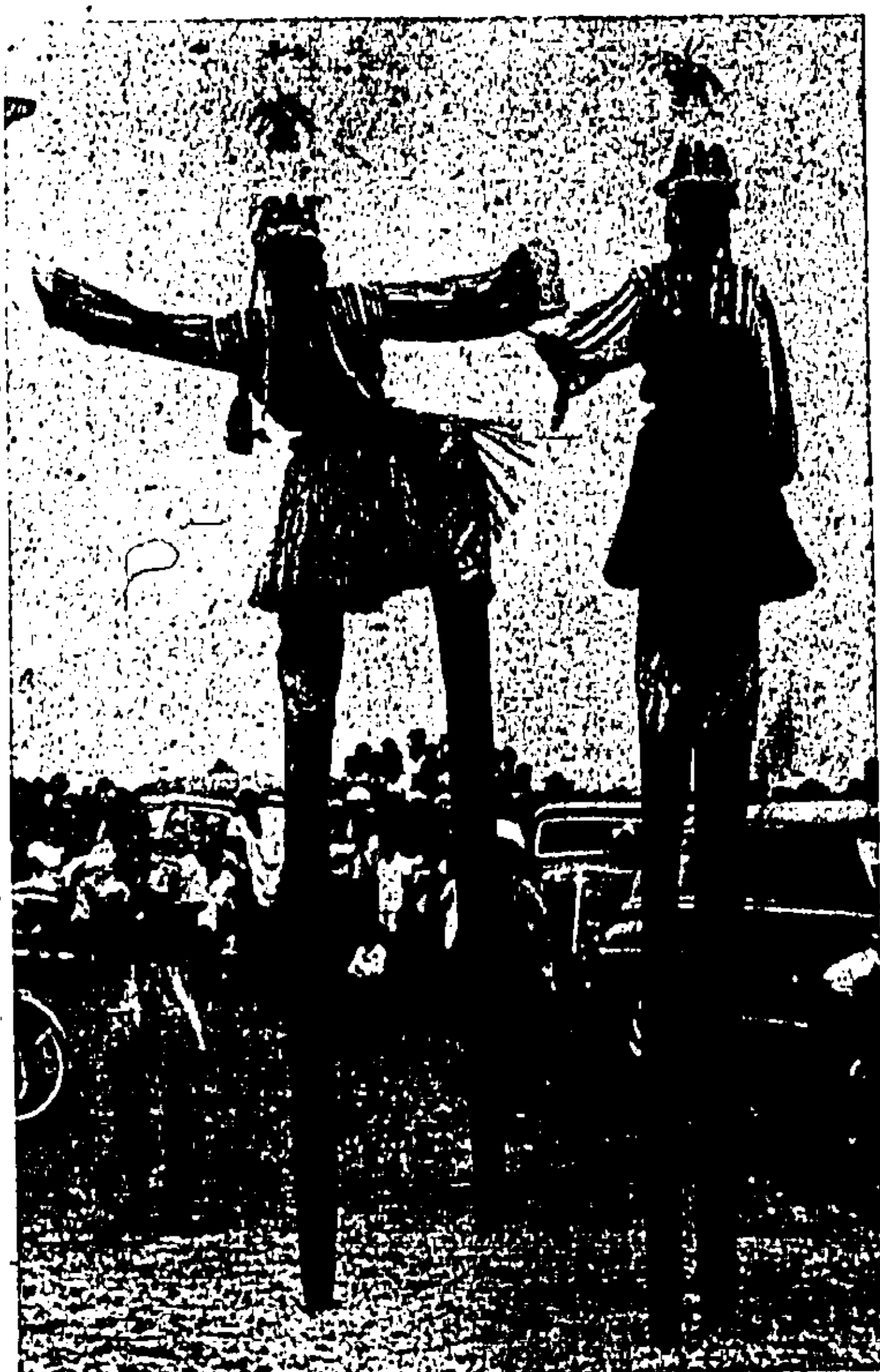
Rio de Janeiro, May 9. Reports from the Paraguayan border said Paraguayan Government planes bombed the rebel capital of Concepcion and casualties were heavy.

Reports said bombs were dropped indiscriminately on residential sections as well as military targets.—United Press.

STARVED HERSELF TO DEATH

Sheffield, May 10. Coroner A. F. Lockwood said at an inquest today that Mrs. Margaret Mary Bishop starved herself to death. Mrs. Bishop, 47, a nurse, stopped eating soon after her husband died. Several weeks after she died. "What her purpose was probably never will be known," the Coroner added.—Associated Press.

STILT DANCERS



Native stilt dancers of French West Africa, adorned in festive garb, perform a dance for French President Vincent Auriol during his recent tour of the West African colonies.—Associated-Press Photo.

United Front For Next Election

London, May 9. A united electoral front against Socialism has been formed in Britain by the Conservative Party and the Liberal National organisation, it was announced in a joint statement today.

The joint announcement, issued by Lord Woolton, of the Conservative Party, and Lord Teviot, of the Liberal Nationals, said that if Britain was to be saved from a further period of Socialist misgovernment "all forces opposed to Socialism must be united."

In a statement issued tonight, the Liberal Party calls "this scheme 'the latest stunt' of the Conservatives to 'bamboozle the public.'—Reuter.

Yokohama, May 10.

The Eighth Army Military Tribunal sentenced Saburo Matsumura, former lieutenant in command of Osaka main POW camp, to 22 years hard labour. Matsumura was found guilty of having beaten Allied POW with bamboo poles, sticks, and clubs and of having forced them to sit in crouched positions for long periods.—United Press.

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Durham Miners Go Back

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Although only about 150 men were on strike the five-day stoppage interrupted wholly or partially work in many pits in the Durham area and threatened to jeopardise production during the first five-day week in the nationalised British coal mines.

The decision to return to work came after the National Union of Winding Enginemen had sent a telegram to the National Coal Board pledging themselves to call a nationwide stoppage of work if any of the strikers were victimised.

The National Coal Board announced earlier today that the Northern Division of the Coal Board had decided to make available £50,000 to supplement whatever payment the unions might decide to make to mine workers in the Durham area as a reward for their "outstanding efforts to maintain coal production" during the miners' strike.

London's strikes were also being wound up today. Naval men who have been operating Tower Bridge have now been withdrawn and the normal staff has resumed work.

At Billingsgate—London's fish market—cleaners today began to clear away twelve days' accumulation of debris. Garbage was piled high in the gutters awaiting collection.

A similar clean-up was under way at the Leadenhall and Smithfield markets.—Reuter.

Runstedt To Be Tried?

Berlin, May 9. High-ranking American legal authorities today told the United Press that Field Marshal Gerd von Runstedt, who led the German counter-attack in the Ardennes in 1944, would be tried by a British court on war crimes charges if at all.

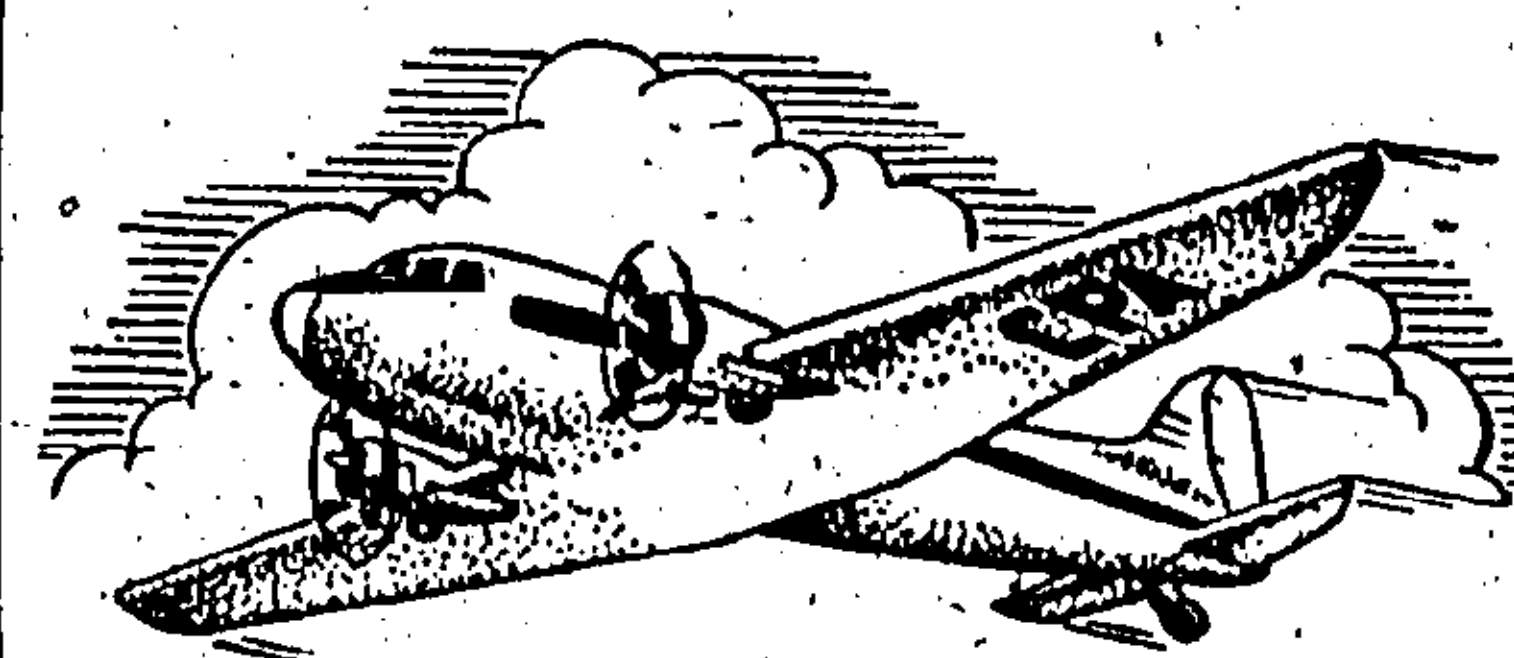
According to General Lucius D. Clay, American commander in Europe, the agreement following the first International Military Tribunal at Nuremberg last year specified that each of the Allied nations was responsible for trying alleged war criminals in its custody.

Von Runstedt is a prisoner of the British.—United Press.

Pro-Nazis In Austria

Vienna, May 9. Political parties in Austria up to 1933 sabotaged patriotic feelings and promoted "pan-Germanism and the Anschluss," a report by the Minister of the Interior in 1937, which was read yesterday at the Guido Schmidt treason trial, disclosed.

The report quoted such prominent Austrians as the former Chancellor Engelbert Dollfuss and Kurt von Schuschnigg, on remarks about Austria being a "German state with German feelings." Schmidt's defence counsel submitted to the Court a copy of the pre-war Austrian Nazi publication, "Oesterreichischer Beobachter," which termed Schmidt "an embittered enemy of Germany."—United Press.



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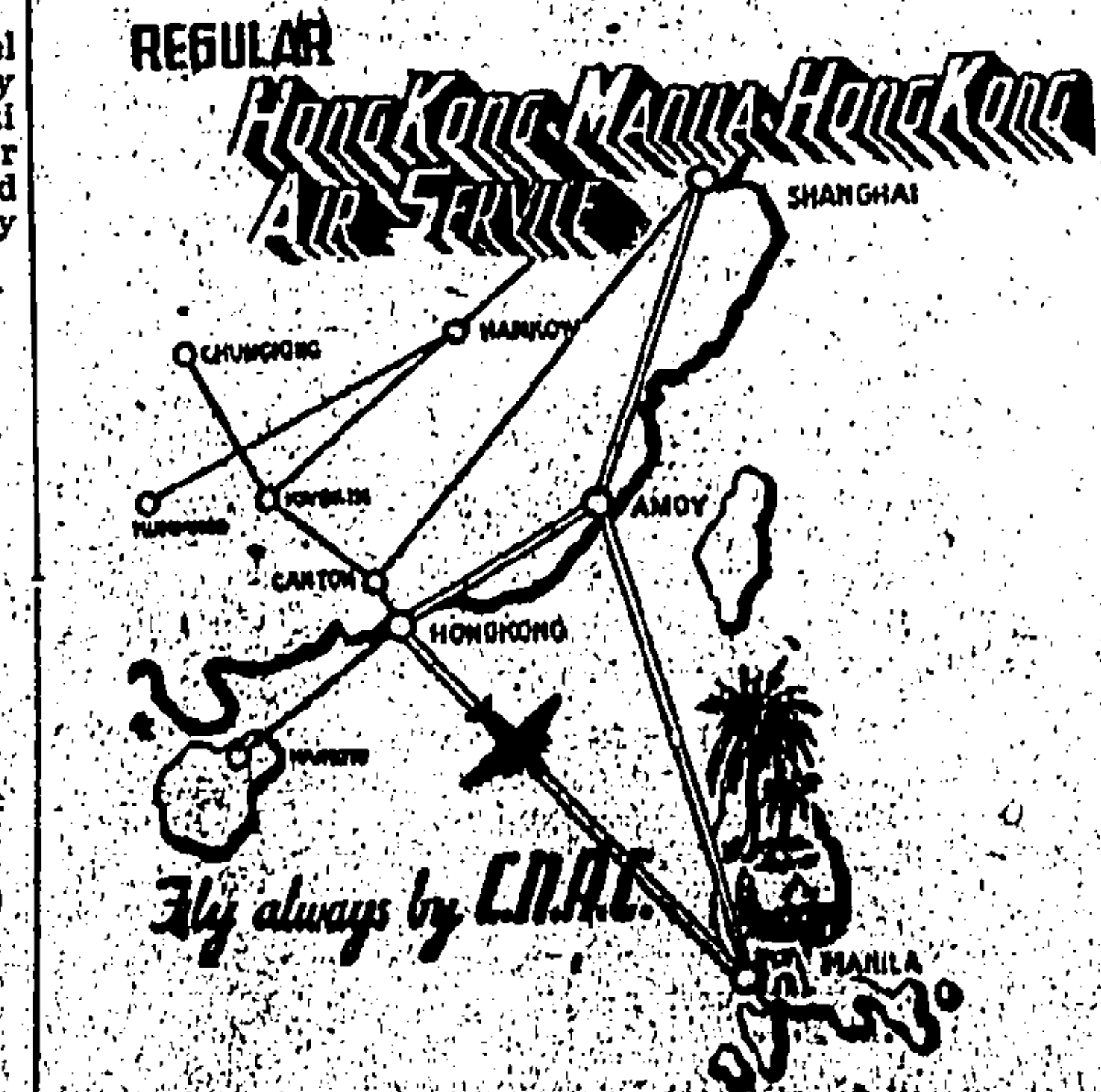
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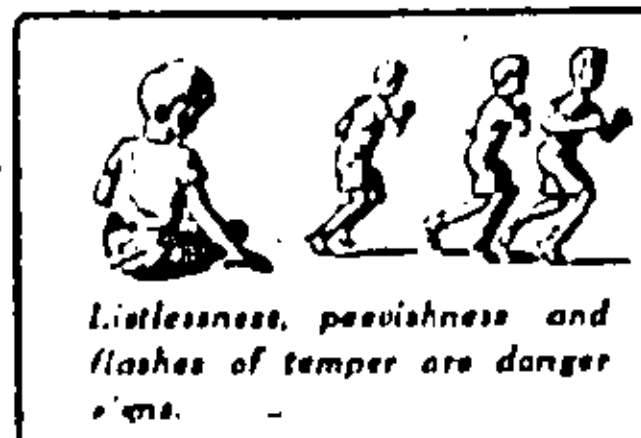
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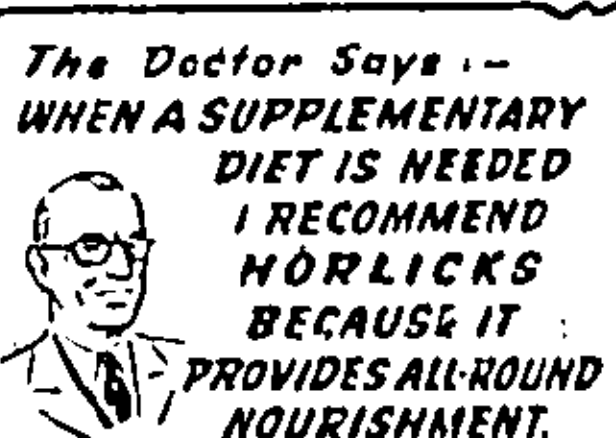
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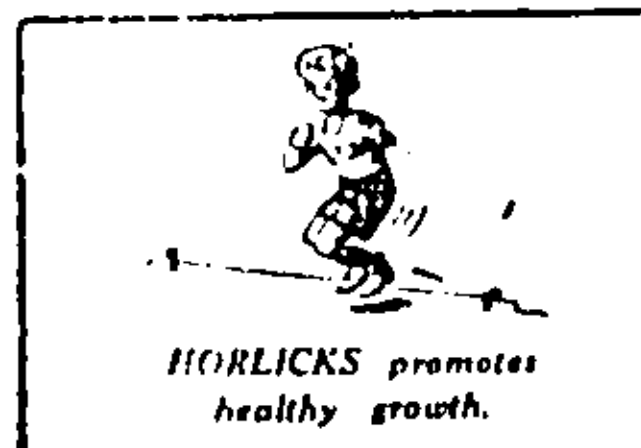
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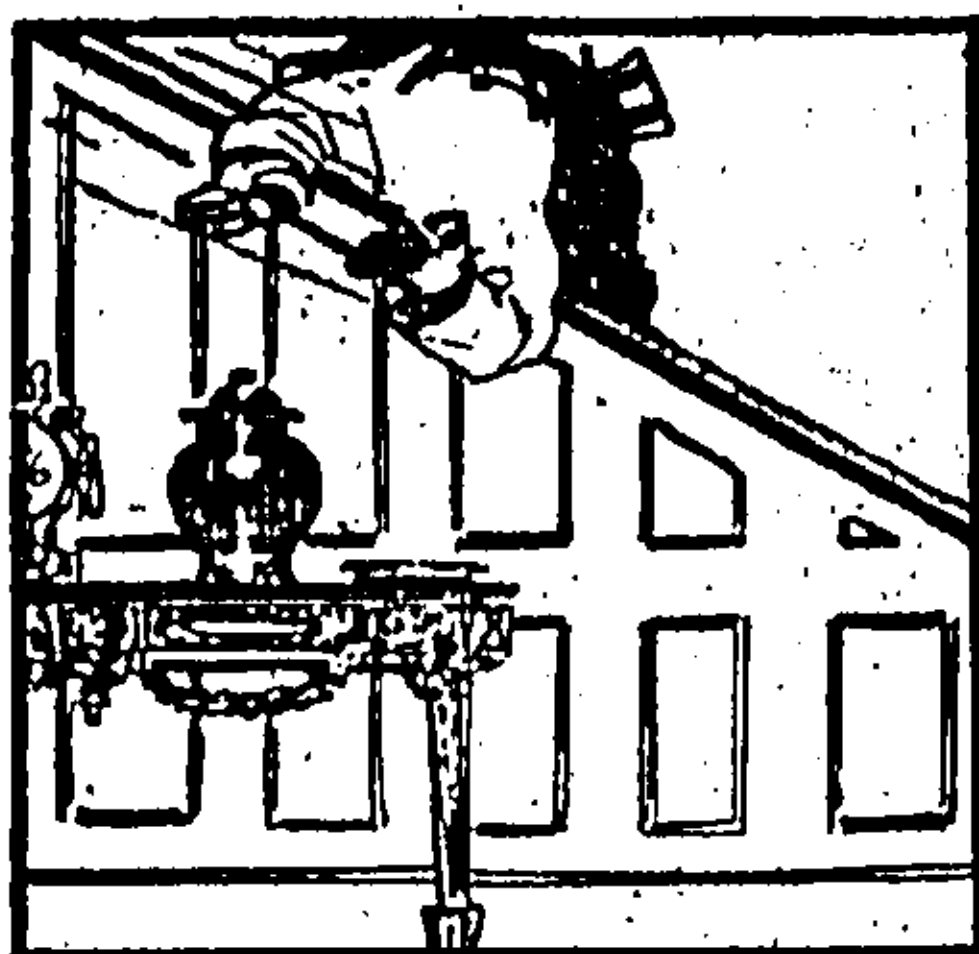


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Britain's Treatment Of Her Army On The Rhine

"You'd better treat the Army well. You'll need it some day to enforce Socialism on England."

This bluff remark made by an officer in a Rhine Army mess to a visiting Minister of the Crown produced, no legend has it, a shrill laugh. But, though spoken in jest, the warning can be exactly paraphrased to fit the situation in Germany.

"They had better treat the Rhine Army well—they will need it to enforce their Socialist policy on Germany."

But the Rhine Army is being treated neither wisely nor well. Visit Hanover and Luneburg to see whether the Rhine Army is an efficient task force. Lt. Gen.

Sir Richard McCreery, Commander-in-Chief of B.A.O.R., will say it is not.

It is a conglomeration of unhappy units some going into

By J.C. Johnston

"suspended animation," their officers and men being merged into other battalions and regiments.

B.A.O.R. is being treated like the Home Forces: it has no colonial allowance. But N.A.A.F.L. is allowed to charge prices comparable with colonial prices.

The "axe," or "demotion," hangs over any officer who is too loud against injustices. Exorbitant rents and service charges are putting the old soldiers with families here steadily into debt to the detriment of morale.

The American Army policy is: our occupation forces shall have the best. That heartens the troops anyhow. The British policy appears to be: spread the misery.

The men who fought at Minden are feeling what it is like not to be an army any longer. B.A.O.R. is below its vehicle strength, weak in drill and backward in training, because Cabinet policy will not allow it

sufficient cheap German auxiliary labour to free young recruits from fatigues. Its total strength is three weak divisions.

The German, like a boxer after the K.O., is slowly coming round. He has been groggy for two years and prepared to worship the military power and purpose of his opponents. Now all that is changing. He has seen the American Army go soft in the business of occupation. He has had the satisfaction of watching the new G.I.s in a fair proportion of street corner fist fights.

He has seen some of the young British recruits, and he has read in the British Press that the British Empire is being given away piecemeal.

Hitler's Fall

He remembers that Hitler believed in the decadence of the British, and to him it appears that Hitlerism in its fall has dragged down its main adversary after it. He goes a bit further, and asserts to himself or to his close friends "the fellow was right."

It is difficult to prophesy what the outcome will be, if the Foreign Ministers fail to abolish zonal frontiers and give Germany economic unity. At present Germany is wholeheartedly anti-Communist, but will she remain anti-Russian if she sees the Soviet Union as the only stable and purposeful military neighbour?

If relations between the four Powers should deteriorate it is not difficult to imagine the Soviet zone becoming a place of refuge for a resistance movement in the Western zones. Counsels of despair might lead active young Germans to desperate acts.

On December 30, 1946, Law No. 48 against the manufacture, import, export, transport and storage of weapons forbade Germans to possess anything from a sabre or a model aeroplane to a V2 and a battleship.

Palestine Moral

Yet they have just read of efficiently organised terrorist bands in Palestine defying the British with concealed small arms such as are buried in woods all over Germany. They will remember Palestine—and at the moment Germans of all sorts are criticising the British Government openly and loudly for its weakness.

We are rapidly losing our military prestige. Against road traps, sniping, sabotage, ambushes, riots and frontier raids, if ever the young Germans begin to organise them, B.A.O.R. is woefully inadequate. One corporal and eight men is the allowance to patrol 30 miles of the Anglo-Soviet zonal frontier.

That is enough for the present, but will it be enough in two years' time, if the Germans find a leader? We have before now seen armies harassed out of a country by elusive tactics and political ruses.

The weaker the B.A.O.R. gets, the more some Germans will tend to admire the brand of democracy advertised east of the Elbe.

Iron Spoon

Two years of Socialism forcibly fed with an iron spoon is beginning to cause the first stirrings of revulsion in Western Germany.

A spirit of resistance, still perfectly legitimate by democratic standards, is beginning to crystallise round the changes and round men with proven ability and records.

A LINE OR TWO FROM SYDNEY

Nellore Bringing Race Ponies For Hong Kong

Sydney, May 2. A passenger by the "Nellore" this week is Mr. W. Gockson, managing director of Wing On Co., Ltd., who is returning to the East after an unsuccessful buying trip here. He arrived in Australia with hopes of purchasing goods to the value of A\$250,000, but he has been able to spend only a few thousand pounds. He was particularly interested in flour, tinned goods and woollen and cotton goods, and the failure of Australia to provide his requirements has forced him to turn to the United States for imports.

In this connection it is interesting to recall that last September an Indian merchant came here with A\$2 million to spend on machinery and textiles but spent only half a million.

Also on the "Nellore" which is carrying 50 passengers to the P.T. Hong Kong and China, is the Australian Minister to China, Professor D. B. Copland, who is accompanied by his wife and daughter Rosamunde. Other members of this party are Miss S. C. Brown, secretary, and Miss N. Thirwell, governess.

Ploughs Left Behind

Because of congestion on the wharves, 210 cases of ploughs for UNRRA were left behind when the "Nellore" sailed from Sydney. The ploughs were consigned to Shanghai, and it is hoped that they will be dispatched by another ship this week. Included in "Nellore's" cargo are 300 tons of farm implements and about 500 tons of food for UNRRA, while 125 Australian ponies are on board for delivery to the Hong Kong Jockey Club, together with about 400 bags of chaff and 200 bags of bran, to feed the animals during the three weeks journey. On deck are two 32-ton tugboats, two motor launches and a workboat.

Teddy and Frederick Leong, two young Chinese boys, arrived here by the "Talping" to join their parents.

The "Talping" was raided by Customs officials and 36 bags of contraband goods, chiefly cigarettes, were seized. On her last trip this vessel also provided Customs with a good haul, and this latest seizure has given rise to the belief that a gang of Chinese are operating in the East to smuggle goods into Australia.

Customs officers to spend two hours to unscrew some of the pipes.

Marella Hold-Up

Following the seizure of A\$7,000 worth of goods found aboard the "Marella," bound for Singapore from Melbourne, more than 30 of the Chinese crew challenged the Customs Department, asking to be tried in a civil court for attempting to smuggle motorbikes, butter and biscuits to Singapore. Furthermore, they refused to sail unless they received an assurance from the Collector of Customs that their goods would not be arbitrarily confiscated.

A second raid produced 86 tons of biscuits from the quarters of the Chinese crew and there seems little likelihood of the vessel sailing for several days. The owners, Burns, Philp & Co., Ltd., are paying more than A\$500 a day in wharf dues, crew's wages and the accommodation of the 200 passengers who had booked for Singapore.

The latest in the matter is that the captain of the ship, A. Donaldson, has been summoned to appear before a Customs enquiry.

The Australian-Chinese Association held their annual ball this week and among the official guests were Mr. L. W. Ling and Mr. & Mrs. W. J. Lee. The heirloom tunic frock of black lace richly embroidered in gold that was worn by Mrs. Henry Ming-tai, wife of the secretary, was much admired by all present, as were the hand-painted place cards from China.

Anzac Day

The big event in Sydney during this past week was, of course, Anzac Day. Following the Dawn Service, which was attended by over 2,000 people, a crowd of 280,000 watched the sons and daughters of Anzac march proudly down the streets of Sydney. There were 50,000 in all on parade. The New Zealand contingent, which came to Sydney especially for the occasion, were cheered to the echo as they marched past. One mother took her four-month-old daughter to the Dawn Service after sitting up all night to ensure a good position.

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public in recent weeks. In all, upwards of 75,000 workers have been thrown out of work by it and a demand for the employment of troops at the powerhouses has been rejected by the Premier. Should Victoria have an enforced blackout there is every possibility of bloodshed. There has been a threat of extending the strike to New South Wales, but competent judges say that it is unlikely.

Writing of strikes reminds one that 704,450 tons of coal have been lost in four months in N.S.W. due to strikes. On the top of this it is interesting to recall that in the course of an election speech, the Minister of External Affairs, Dr. Evatt, said that Australia was today economically and industrially sound, adding, "We have a state of affairs which is the envy of almost every other country in the world."

Search For Oil

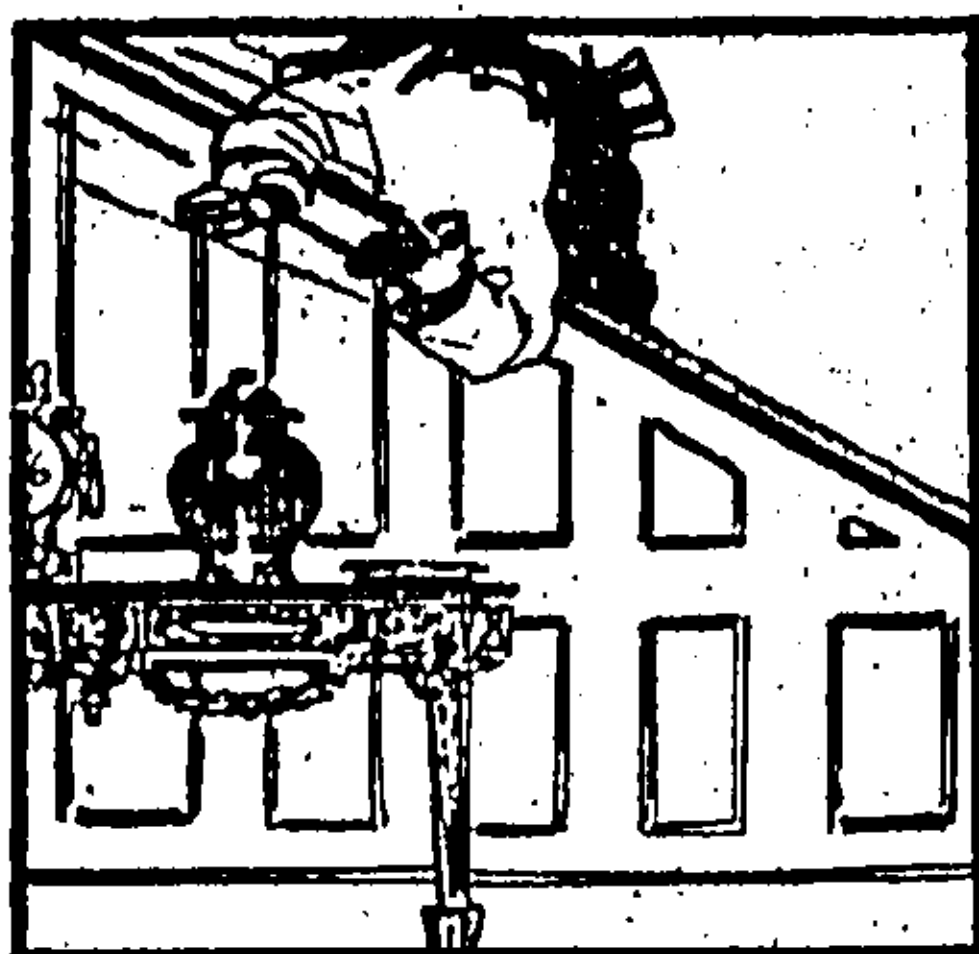
The Shell Oil Company of Australia will spend A\$1 million in the next four years in a search for oil in Queensland and New South Wales. Legislation has been prepared to abolish the death penalty for rape.

The President of the Senate at Canberra is to be asked to convene a meeting of the joint Parliamentary committee on Standing Orders to discuss the introduction of a privilege bill to deal with Press attacks on Parliamentary institutions. Savings Bank deposits are showing a steady decrease, and in this connection it is reported that betting of all descriptions has shown a rapid decrease in past months.

Fearless at Darwin are hoping for the early return of Japanese divers and Malayan crews. After a year in hospital as the result of swallowing cyanide soda, a 3-year-old child is now learning to swallow again. The Commonwealth Government paid A\$4,000 for a 1939 model Rolls Royce Phantom limousine. Tea may cost 4/- per pound to land. A Senior Magistrate was given a shock the other day when he discovered that 20,160 sugar coupons, representing 18 tons of sugar, could be bought from a man in the street for A\$15.

Two thousand five hundred florins were used to bail out a railway watchman. The claimants of the American Fortune have received hundreds of letters which vary from abuse to congratulations. A Melbourne oyster firm will ship 12,000 fresh oysters to Singapore next week. It is the cheapest in Australia. The Australian Royal Australian Air Force is nearly two months behind in its training.

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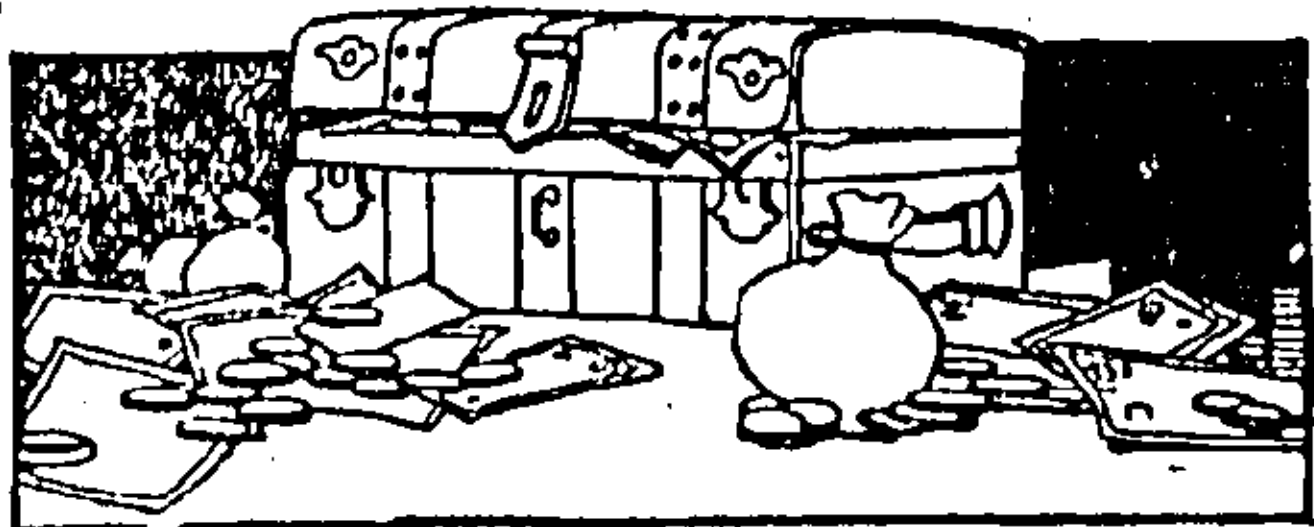
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EDNA McKENNA

The clothes Berill has drawn are sophisticated, and up-to-the-minute in detail and design. Fashion-right for the Easter Parade. Hard to believe they are utilities and on sale in many of the big stores. But I know they can be found because I found them myself.

Accepting the challenge of a friend who said it was impossible for the woman of moderate means to look well dressed to-day, I accompanied herself and sixteen-year-old daughter on a tour of the shops. Mary wanted a coat, daughter Jane a costume. Both went home complete, with their purchases and singing the praises of utility.

Chief difficulty lay in making a choice as the shops have an increasing variety of styles. There were roomy, double-breasted coats for town or country, town models with the new drop shoulder, nipped-in waists, coats slim-fitting in front but swinging out in unpressed pleats at the back, and the new tuxedo-front swaggers, ideal for slipping on over a summer frock.

Finally, Mary's choice was narrowed down to two. A very dressy mustard-coloured coat with rounded revers, wide sleeves that narrowed below the elbow and a tulip skirt; and a good-looking model, mushroom pink in shade, in a heavy twill material, double-breasted and with enormous pockets. We decided on this one for Mary as she lives in the country.

Chief features of the new suits we saw were longer jackets, unusual yoke lines, clever seamings to give a neat-waisted appearance, and slim skirts. Smartest were the town suits with fluted backs.

I noticed many collarless jackets with bloused Norfolk backs, and I was struck by the return



of the belt. One little suit in lime green with a Peter Pan collar had a half-belt tying in front.

Another attractive suit in a soft stone-colour had prettily rounded revers and side-slit pockets, and there were a number of twill suits in which unusual effects were achieved by running the twill in one direction on the jacket and in another on the pockets. Jane ended by buying a herringbone tweed suit with a mulberry and grey fleck, fluted back.

The dresses we noticed on our trip showed an increasingly feminine influence. Even the classic shirt-waist variety was relieved of severity by softer detail, pockets once more playing an important role.

A brown frock in a jersey-like material had pockets in three different sizes, and a skirt slightly gathered into the waist-band. Dresses were popular, and I saw a pale blue dress with wide dirndl skirt trimmed with bands of cherry—youth and carefree.

Afternoon frocks had a party air with plump, dainty frilling and drapery. Pug-top pockets lent a charming air to one particular frock, and smart was a crepe dress with cap sleeves, the top in black, the skirt brightly patterned.

After the drab winter it was refreshing to see coats, suits and frocks in bright colours; their reds, royal blues, emeralds and yellows made them absolutely spring-like.

General
Knowledge Quiz

Here are 20 questions to test your general knowledge. Allow yourself five points for each question you answer correctly. A total score of 80 or over is "good," 60 and over is "passing," while under 40 is "poor."

1. India and Afghanistan are connected by what pass?
2. What is the Alcazar?
3. Who wrote Sir Nigel?
4. If you are studying Euclid, what are you studying?
5. Oliver Wendell Holmes is best remembered as a writer. What was his profession?
6. In what country was Knute Rockne born?
7. Who lies over the ocean and over the sea?
8. What was the only tree which was forbidden in the Garden of Eden?
9. Does a Diesel engine have spark plugs?
10. Are any two persons' finger prints ever identical?
11. In British peerage, which ranks higher, an earl or a duke?
12. What is M-Day?
13. How often is a new distribution of Congressional districts made in the U.S.A.?
14. In which comic opera would you meet Little Buttercup?
15. Fine particles floating in the body of a fluid are said to be in what state?
16. In what country was the scene of "Lost Horizon" set?
17. Why are the early morning hours the most critical time of day during an illness?
18. Benares is the holy city of what country?
19. Where did animals originate, on land or sea?
20. How frequent are cloudy days in Hawaii?

(Answers in Page 10)

"Army Of God"
Uprising

Batavia, May 10. Travellers arriving here today reported that a local uprising by the "Hizbullah" Islamic Army of God has been suppressed by the Indonesian Republic Army after several days of fighting on the western coast of Sumatra. The leaders of Hizbullah, an irregular Moslem fighting force, nominally under government control, are under arrest, the informant said.

J. Vendervelde, Dutch adviser on Sumatra, confirmed that local disorders have been reported, but said there has been no large scale fighting or indications of a political break-up. Associated Press.

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If man reacts to food like white rats, says Dr. Henry C. Sherman of Columbia University, in a new diet experiment recently announced, then humans should be able to lengthen their lives by 10 or 15 years by taking more vitamin A.

Professor Sherman adds that he thinks men will react like the rats in his laboratory.

Rats eat about the same food as humans, when they can get it.

Professor Sherman's present experiment began in 1942. He fed rats, first, exactly twice the amount of vitamin A that is recommended for humans, and then four times more. The human requirement used in the one fixed by the American National Research Council. It is admittedly a guess as to man's vitamin A needs.

The rats on the doubled vitamin A lived 10 per cent longer. They also were longer in their prime of life, as measured by sexual reproduction. The added span for the rats is equivalent to nearly 10 years in the life of a human being.

When Professor Sherman redoubled the vitamin A, the results was a second added 10 per cent longer life span, a result not complete yet because not all the rats in this redoubled vitamin experiment have finished their tests.

The figures for rats are, female, normal length of life 724 days, doubled vitamin 801 days, redoubled vitamin 830 days. Males, normal length of life 652 days, doubled vitamin 685 days, redoubled vitamin 723 days.

The reproductive period of female rats was normally 265 days, doubled vitamin 312 days, redoubled vitamin 369 days. This redoubled figure for productivity is also incomplete because not all the animals have completed their life spans. The final figure could go either up or down in the incomplete groups.

The experiments, Dr. Sherman reported, "support the view that higher allowances of vitamin A in human nutrition are desirable. This appears the more probable in view of the fact that most people probably live less protected lives than those of experimental animals." Associated Press.

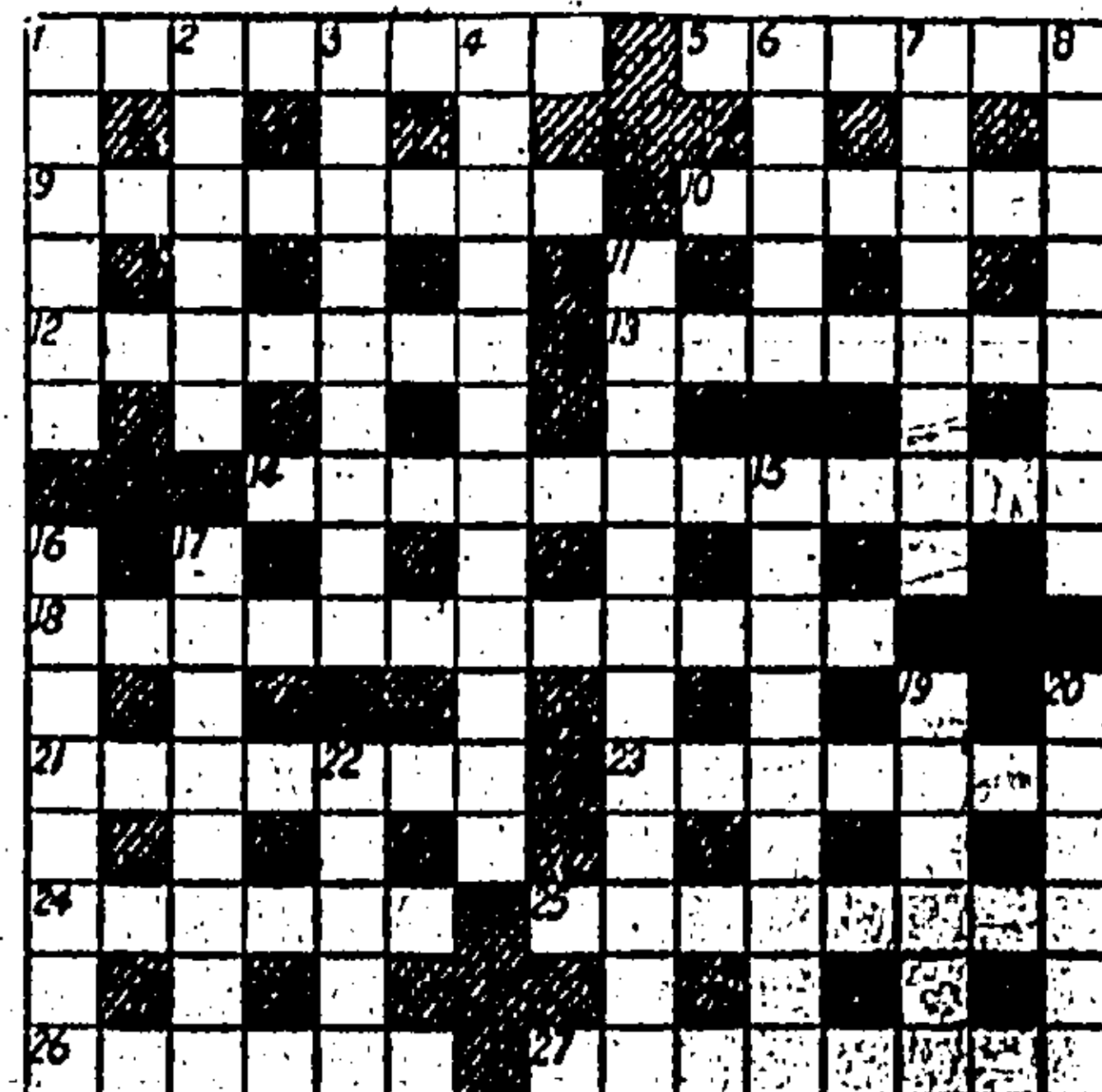
The Sunday Herald Crossword No. 4

Across

- 1 This London thoroughfare is another under cover. (4, 4)
- 5 Old fellow at the end of the line. (6)
- 9 Old L.C.C. party. (8)
- 10 Walks importantly, with supports. (6)
- 12 Home of dramatic brothers. (7)
- 13 Beaten material. (7)
- 14 Such healthy noninterference seems a good rule for doctors. (3, 4, 5)
- 18 In which the dead hero's vow is eclipsed. (12)
- 21 Call to the score in the field. (7)
- 23 Hard working people. (7)
- 24 "She" was Mahomet's favourite wife. (6)
- 25 Nine's old for this place. (5, 5)
- 26 Stream of Wordsworthian sonnets. (6)
- 27 Gets near to separate. (8)

Down

- 1 There was such an isle, says Shelley, in Balne's bay. (6)
- 2 Behold Gustave, the artist. (6)
- 3 Orderly officers, very. (9)
- 4 Leap on the law; it's killing. (6, 6)
- 6 Put out complete. (5)
- 7 "The sweetest of an earthly crown" (Marlowe). (8)
- 8 Sort of action to be expected from redheads. (4, 4)
- 11 Night birds wear. (7, 5)
- 15 This City official has a trying time with drink. (9)
- 16 Bill's left at sea on the ground. (8)
- 17 Praise for the news announcer. (4, 4)
- 19 A study at Cambridge for the peer. (6)
- 20 Can use for custom? (6)
- 22 Even the horses thought him a brute. (5)



SOLUTION TO NO. 3—Across: 1 Intact; 4 Scrubber; 9 10 Golden Weddings; 12 and 1 Down, Lord High Everything Else; 13 Estrade; 16 Tussaud; 17 Pirated; 19 Pedicle; 21 Literally minded; 24, 25 The Daily Worker; 26 Scratchy; 27 Teased.

Down: 2 Tolerator; 3 Czech; 5 Clement; 6 Undressed; 7 Buny; 8 Raschid; 11 Ogre; 14 Alternant; 16 Archdukes; 17 Palates; 18 Dollah; 19 Pays; 20 Endured; 22 Their; 23 In one.

CALL TO WORLD
LABOUR

Paris, May 9.

The World Federation of Trade Unions today called for "international solidarity" of world labour and democratic and progressive forces behind the efforts of the striking Basque workers for better living conditions and the overthrow of the Franco regime.

A statement issued by M. Louis Sellant, General Secretary of the organization, said: "The sublime courage, the fierce will power with which they are demanding better conditions of living, return to liberty and restoration of the republic are further testimony

VATICAN DENIAL

London, May 9.

The Vatican Radio today denied newspaper and radio reports of negotiations between the Vatican and the Polish Government for resumption of diplomatic relations.

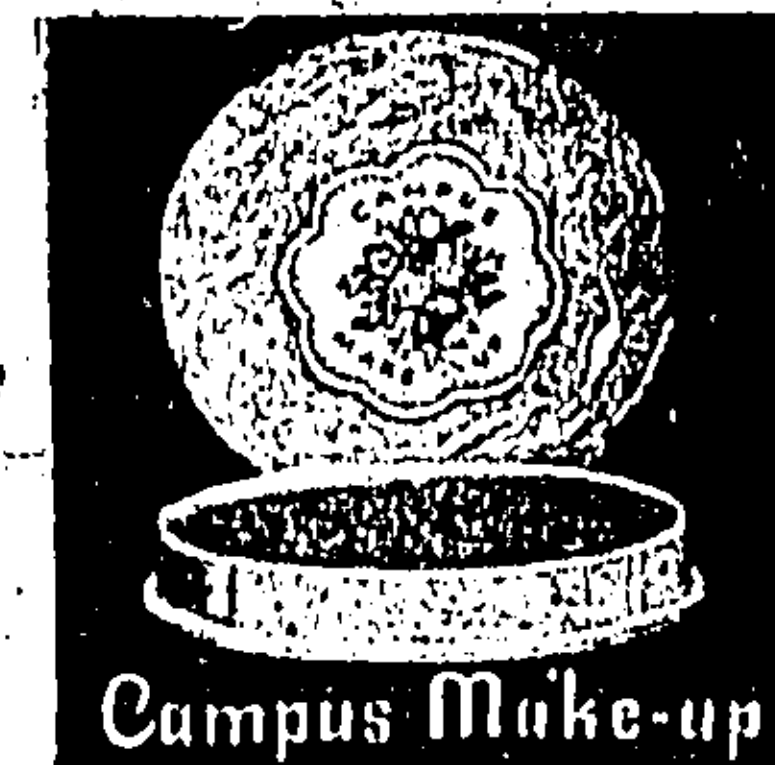
The Radio declared: "These reports do not correspond to the facts, as everybody can easily realise who remembers the Warsaw Government's attitude towards the Comintern and the Holy See and the present restrictions to which the free activity of the Church in Poland is subjected."—Reuter.

by which they are affirming before the world the determination of the Spanish people to overthrow the Franco regime."—United Press.

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BRITISH POLICY CHANGE Better Relations With Eastern Europe Talks With Red Satellites

London, May 9.
Foreign Office sources today described British relations with nations of the Soviet sphere of Eastern Europe as better now than at any time since the end of the war.

Diplomatic circles here expressed the general belief that the satellite nations, observing the serious nature of the Anglo-Soviet treaty and trade negotiations, were following Moscow's lead in an attempt to close the breach between Eastern Europe and Britain.

In the wake of the Moscow trade and diplomatic negotiations, British discussions on outstanding problems with Poland, Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia are now either in progress or due to begin shortly.

Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin, on his recent visit to Warsaw, obviously was impressed by the developments which Whitehall officials described as "making the Polish government more acceptable from the British point of view."

These include the lessening of secret police activity, a genuine large-scale amnesty for political offenders—Polish reports said 65,000 have taken advantage of it—and advantageous terms to hitherto anti-Warsaw Poles abroad who decide to return home.

Negotiations in Belgrade. The latter particularly is welcomed to Britain in view of the severe economic strain imposed upon this country by its responsibility for 200,000 "Anders" Poles, who so far have declined to leave England on grounds they would face political reprisals in their homeland.

The improved Anglo-Polish relations have paved the way for a \$150,000,000 trade agreement under which Polish foodstuffs will be sent here in exchange for British machinery and manufactured goods.

The Foreign Office also revealed that a British delegation shortly will begin negotiations with Yugoslav representatives in Belgrade on British compensation claims arising out of the nationalisation of British-owned property in Yugoslavia.

British relations with Yugoslavia have been extremely frigid during the last year as a result of Anglo-American displeasure over Marshal Tito's Trieste manoeuvres and the Yugoslav shooting down of an American plane.

Bevin's Hand Strengthened

Similar compensation talks will be opened soon with Czechoslovakia and Poland where Britain also has large claims resulting from the nationalisation of British-owned property in those countries.

Political observers pointed out that improvement of relations with Eastern Europe will strengthen Mr. Bevin's position within the Labour Party where the rebellious Left Wing faction has campaigned for a British foreign policy "independent of the United States."

Moscow dispatches today said the first phases of the Anglo-Soviet trade talks had concluded and quoted the British Overseas Trade Chief, Mr. Harold Wilson, as stating that "Britain's prospects for very big trade with Russia are excellent."—United Press.

SWISS HELPING BRITAIN

London, May 9.
Walter Hansli, the Swiss skiing champion, headed a party of 24 skiers who arrived tonight to work in Britain as farm labourers for the next six months.

The Swiss skiers volunteered to help relieve the labour shortage in Britain in order to learn English.

They will join land army units and will receive the same treatment as Britons. The salary will be one shilling an hour over and above accommodation in the land army hostels.—Reuter.

Quiz Answers

(From Page Nine)

1. The Khyber Pass.
2. A palace in Seville built by the Moorish kings.
3. A. Conan Doyle.
4. Geometry.
5. He was a doctor, a teacher of anatomy.
6. In Norway.
7. My Bonnie.
8. The tree of knowledge of good and evil.
9. No.
10. A duke.
11. The day of mobilization.
12. Every 10 years, with each Federal census.
13. H.M.S. Pinafore (Gilbert and Sullivan).
14. A state of suspension.
15. In Tibet.
16. Because all the activities of the body (including heat production) are lessened so that shock, such as cold may cause death.
17. India.
18. In the sea.
19. They are rare. Trade winds blow the clouds to sea.
20. Niece, May 9.

King Gustav of Sweden, who spent another quiet day here today on the French Riviera, will be a special guest on Sunday at a programme of religious music to be held in the Lutheran Evangelist Church in Nice.—Reuter.

Aid Bill Gets An Easy Passage

Washington, May 10.
The precedent-shattering \$400,000,000 United States loan to Greece and Turkey against Communist domination passed the House 287 to 107 votes.

On the final roll call 127 Republicans and 160 Democrats voted for it.

Against the measure were 93 Republicans, 13 Democrats and one American Labourite. Congressmen of both parties

guarded it successfully from all attempts to deny the administration the right to use troops and military material in the effort.

Other attempts to limit the programme also were defeated. The final approval followed four days of turbulent House debate dominated by angry legislative reaction to Russia's post-war activities, opposition cries that President Truman's programme might mean war and counter-claims that it would stabilize peace.

The strength of those supporting the measure was apparent from the ease with which they beat back amendments.

"Insane Alliance"
At the end a motion by Representative Hollifield, Democrat of California, to send it back to the Foreign Affairs Committee for changes was shouted down.

Hollifield could not even obtain a roll-call vote on his motion—he needed one-fifth of those present to support his request for a roll-call and could muster only 47 votes of the more than 300 present.

By a voice vote the House turned down a proposal to limit to 100 the size of military missions which would be sent to teach the Greeks and Turks how to use United States military equipment to be supplied under the bill.

By another voice vote it turned down a move to limit aid to Greece alone, thus barring Turkey.

Bender accused what he termed "power-mad, State Department bureaucrats" of trying to sell "an insane military alliance under the pretence of giving food to the hungry and clothes to the naked."—Associated Press.

Baltimore, May 10.
Assault upon the Dixie Handicap at Pimlico today and moved into third place on the all time money winning list with \$408,450.—Associated Press.

Commons Marathon Debate

London, May 9.
The report stage of the Government's controversial peacetime conscription bill, which has kept the House of Commons busy for four days, was still not completed when the House rose tonight for the week-end.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, Lord President of the Council, stated when the House met that he hoped debate on the clauses of the bill would be finished tonight, but the motion for adjournment cut short discussion on an Opposition amendment to bring deserters and absentees from the British armed forces into line with the provisions of the bill.

The House rejected one by one amendments to get deferments for farm workers, cotton textile workers, men employed in the coal machinery industry and full-time fishermen on the grounds that these men were essential to the national economy.

The Government spokesman emphasised that the bill, as it stood, allowed a good deal of leniency in the matter of deferments, which were a matter for administration rather than legislation.—Reuter.

BASQUE STRIKE OVER

Madrid, May 9.
Telephonic reports reaching Madrid today said that the Basque country strike, which began in Bilbao and threatened at one time to spread widely in Spain, had collapsed and an overwhelming majority of workers had returned to their jobs.—United Press.

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DAY OF SURPRISES AT THE RACES

The Sixth Extra Race Meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club held at Happy Valley yesterday saw the return to the saddles of many well-known jockeys, three of whom (Tang Man-wah, Kenneth Kwok and K. I. Ip) celebrated their re-donning of "silk" by scoring a winner. Commander Francis also announced his return to the Colony by a win and a place in three mounts.

With so many "new" jockeys it was but natural that greater interest was lent to both the actual racing and the pari-mutuels by the large number of racing fans present. The greatest upset was caused by Sunshine in the Killara Handicap (second section). Jockey Kenneth Kwok brought sunshine to 724 punters when he brought Sunshine first past the winning post to pay the useful dividend of \$142.10.

Prince, that unfathomable horse, was the second most neglected entrant in the Mount Parker Handicap, carrying 73 pounds tickets out of a total of 5,003. An if to avenge the lack of confidence in his ability, he came in second to pay \$77.40 to each supporter.

By his brilliant jockeyship in the last event, Ip was responsible for the winning of \$31,477 by the holder of ticket No. 27206. The second and third prizes in this special sweep went to ticket Nos. 27916 and 23671, respectively.

A protest lodged against Tang Man-wah on Tuesday for boring, after the second race, was sustained by the Stewards, and Tootsie was disqualified. The official result of that race was announced as:

1st, Blue Peter, 2nd, Golden Wheel, 3rd, Normandy.

Riding honours went to Kenneth Kwok who scored one first, one second and one third in three mounts.

Full results were as follows:

Mount Parker Handicap
Race 1—2.30 p.m.—(Unofficial)—For Hong Kong Services Race Club Ponies—Six Furlongs.

The first surprise of the afternoon was caused by Prince when it ran home two lengths behind Resalder and four lengths ahead of the favourite Autumn Rose to pay \$77.40 for a "place". Tony, the red-hot favourite, took the lead in a succession of disappointments to punters when it failed miserably to bag even one of the minor prizes.

Jackie (Pearsons) led all the way from the starting gate to the Bend, closely followed by Autumn

and Prince with Resalder fourth. On coming round the Bend, Jackie bore out wide to give Prince (Hornby) a temporary lead. When opposite the Members' enclosure Resalder (Pear) came up strong from the outside to pay \$37.10 for a "win".

Resalder, 160 (Pear); 2, Prince, 150 (L.P. Hornby); 3, Autumn Rose, 150 (Hodgman).

Win by two lengths; 4 lengths.

Time: 1:29.4.

Pari-Mutuel: Win \$37.00, Places: \$20.40, \$7.10, \$11.80.

BETTING Win Place

Tony, 145 (Crisfield) 2012 1204

Jackie, 160 (Pearsons) 1650 1323

Autumn Rose, 150 (Hodgman) 1051 777

Resalder, 160 (Pearson) 841 314

Mayfair, 168 (Pearson) 572 514

Duke, 145 (Hodgman) 402 326

Duke, 145 (Newman) 391 251

Prince, 150 (L.P. Hornby) 135 73

Moses, 165 (V.L. Parker) 126 183

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Warwick Farm Handicap

Race 2—3.00 p.m.—(First Section)—For Australian ponies "D" Class and Unclassified non-starters. Weight 145 lbs. 1 lb. penalty for every 140 or part penalty 14 lbs. Jockey allowance—three if won in stakes. Limit to one mile.

Favourite Normandy (Rowlands) was coming up strong just before coming into the Straight when it bore out wide, with the result that it could not do better than secure a fourth placing.

Tootsie (Tang Man-wah) took the lead from the start, followed by Blue Peter (Hodgman) with Golden Wheel (Kwok) bringing

up the rear in a field of seven starters.

At the Reck, Blue Peter forged to the front, hotly pursued by Tootsie and Normandy. Rebounding into the home stretch, Normandy bore out wide leaving Golden Wheel sufficient room to go up to third place. Opposite the Public stands, Tootsie and Blue Peter began a ding-dong battle, with the former gaining the decision by a neck.

1, Tootsie, 160 (Tang Man-wah); 2, Blue Peter, 150 (Hodgman); 3, Golden Wheel, 145 (K. Kwok).

Win by a head; 2 lengths.

Time: 1:52.4.

Pari-Mutuel: Win \$18.80, Places: \$7.50, \$5.70, \$8.10.

BETTING Win Place

Normandy, 153 (Rowlands) 4856 3149

Golden Wheel, 145 (K. Kwok) 3797 2169

Tootsie, 160 (Tang Man-wah) 3527 2682

Hostile Witness, 158 (H.C. Pih) 1159 1027

Kelly, 160 (Y.K. Fu) 953 948

Blue Peter, 150 (Hodgman) 738 624

Lola Sapp, 145 (L.S. Miu) 170 253

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Hervey Bay Handicap

Race 3—3.30 p.m.—(First Section)—For Australian ponies "C" Class—One and a quarter mile.

Carvalho again proved his mettle as a jockey when he skillfully piloted Collaborators' Crown Witness home three lengths behind Eu Tong-sen's greatly fancied Rose Emma (Ostroumoff) and many lengths in front of the third pony.

Despite its previous win, Crown Witness was the most neglected pony in a field of five, carrying but 722 "nearly 0000."

Peacock (Boycott) was in the lead from the starting barrier to nearly the Reck, followed by Eastern Diamond (Newman), National Congress (Chui), Rose Emma (Ostroumoff) and Crown Witness. Coming down the Reck, Rose Emma forged to the front with Peacock second and National Congress showing signs of tiring. Coming into the Straight, Crown Witness went to second place, with Peacock third and National Congress fourth.

1, Rose Emma, 153 (Ostroumoff); 2, Crown Witness, 157 (Carvalho); 3, Peacock, 137 (Boycott).

Win by 3 lengths; many lengths.

Time: 2:18.4.

Pari-Mutuel: Win \$13.00, Places: \$8.70, \$10.00.

BETTING Win Place

Rose Emma, 153 (Ostroumoff) 6930 2854

National Congress, 149 (Chui) 5440 1070

Eastern Diamond, 140 (Newman) 4008 1097

Peacock, 137 (Boycott) 2020 1403

Crown Witness, 160 (Carvalho) 970 722

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Killara Handicap

Race 4—4.00 p.m.—(First Section)—For Australian ponies "B" Class—One mile.

S. W. Lee's Hurricane (owner-ridden) showed what a hurricane it was when it went round the tracks by itself just prior to the start of the race, and by running second to Kip (Newman) right up to the Black Rock. From there it tired and faded out of the picture.

The last quarter saw Fifth Alarm, the favourite, coming up strong from the outside to challenge King's Ransom. The latter, however, proved itself the better pony and ran in winner with four lengths to spare. Thunderbolt (Francis) was a neck behind Fifth Alarm. Wadanga (Ostroumoff) was fourth.

1, Kim, 144 (Newman); 2, Fifth Alarm, 142 (Rowlands); 3, Thunderbolt, 135 (Francis); 4, Wadanga, 139 (Ostroumoff).

Win by 4 lengths; a neck.

Time: 1:46.1.

Pari-Mutuel: Win \$22.20, Places: \$8.10, \$8.40, \$7.30.

BETTING Win Place

Fifth Alarm, 142 (Rowlands) 4192 2259

Kim, 144 (Newman) 3593 2435

Thunderbolt, 135 (Francis) 3710 3261

V-J Day, 154 (Hodgman) 3565 2388

Royal Commission, 150 (Boycott) 1870 1010

Wodanga, 143 (Ostroumoff) 1362 1048

Argentine Moon, 145 (S.W. Lee) 1037 614

Hurricane, 139 (S.W. Lee) 451 638

Spanish Onion, 148 (R.O. Heseltine) 100 155

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Sharks Bay Handicap

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Win by 4 lengths; a neck.

Time: 1:46.1.

Pari-Mutuel: Win \$22.20, Places: \$8.10, \$8.40, \$7.30.

BETTING Win Place

Fifth Alarm, 142 (Rowlands) 4192 2259

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